



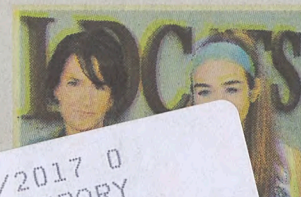
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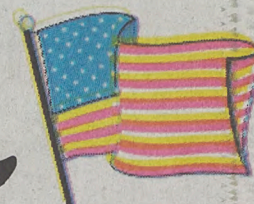
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## Nighttime is the right time to lock car doors

By CASSIA BURNS  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Following a high number of thefts from unlocked cars this year, the Wilmington Police Department has launched an initiative dubbed the “9 p.m. Routine.”

The initiative urges citizens to lock their car doors after 9 p.m. each night in order to decrease the chances of personal belongings being stolen from unlocked vehicles.

Earlier this year, thefts within unlocked cars were occurring at an increased rate. During the month of May, 15 robberies were reported after one night. The large amount of robberies in a short time span prompted the initiative's launch here in Wilmington, as well as other surrounding communities.

It has been found that if citizens lock their cars at night, they are less likely to have belongings stolen from them.

“A lot of people committing this type of crime are just looking for unlocked doors,” Deputy Chief Richter stated. “They’ll move on if the doors are locked.”

In order to spread awareness of the project, the department has taken to social media, primarily utilizing Twitter and Facebook to spread the message. Utilizing funny images or gifs to help assert the message, a reminder for everyone to lock their car doors is posted at promptly 9 p.m. the majority of nights.

By using the images and gifs, more interest in the post itself is generated, allowing the message to reach more people. According to Richter, people tend to find the social media posts to be good reminders to follow the initiative.

“People do things all day and are in and out of their car,” he stated. “They don’t always remember to lock their cars, but they find the posts to be good reminders to do so.”

Aside from locking car doors, the Wilmington Police Department has other tips for citizens to avoid being the victim of a theft.

“The greatest tip is to make sure there’s nothing in the vehicle,” Richter stated. “Valuables should be kept in a lockbox in the trunk.”

By leaving car doors locked at all times, even when driving, and making sure any valuables are hid-

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## Boy scouts try to ‘do a good turn daily’

On Monday, Oct. 16, Boy Scout Troop 136 with assistance of their sponsor American Legion Post 136, served a free Pasta dinner to about 100 seniors at the Senior Center. Boy Scout Troop 136 is looking for a few more boys who are interested in scouting adventures. The Troop meets on Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm. Interested? Come to a meeting or email [troop136wilm@aol.com](mailto:troop136wilm@aol.com).

▲ The scouts pictured serving at Senior Dinner above are, from left, Joe Cullen, Max Pappas, Conor Byrnes and David McLaren

(Courtesy photos)



## Affordable housing remains a challenge

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At the meeting of the Wilmington Board of Selectmen this month, Director of Planning and Conservation Valerie Gingrich was scheduled to speak for 40 minutes. Ultimately, the discussion sparked by the topic of affordable housing lasted for more than an hour.

Current Massachusetts law dictates that a town in which less than 10 percent of housing is affordable (as defined by state parameters) is subject to Chapter 40B development. Under Chapter 40B, the developer, rather than the town, can control projects by density, type of development, and zone, as long as a portion of the units developed contribute to that affordability benchmark.

According to Town Manager Jeffrey Hull, Wilmington is currently slightly above the 10 percent limit, but scheduled to fall below it by the year 2020.

Gingrich began her presentation

with a brief outline of the actions and plans of several nearby communities, some of which are above the 10 percent threshold (Andover and Burlington) and some of which are below (Reading, North Reading, Tewksbury, Billerica, Woburn). She also mentioned towns which have used town-owned land and Community Preservation Act tax income to develop affordable housing, including Bedford, Sudbury, Concord, and Wayland.

Given this information, the main topic of debate was timeline and urgency, specifically regarding the potential development of town-owned land. Selectman Michael McCoy was hesitant to endorse any course of action which would require an immediate change to the existing paradigm. He likened any actions taken to immediate develop or repurpose town-owned land to pushing a “panic button.”

Chairman Mike Champoux, on the other hand, was concerned

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## Marijuana vote to occur at Town Meeting

By LIZZIE MCDERMOTT  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Deadlines are looming, and the Wilmington Board of Selectmen is eager to avoid a scramble in the final months of the moratorium on the sale of recreational marijuana in town. The moratorium, set to expire on June 30, 2018, was put in place by voters at last year’s Town Meeting.

To circumvent issues that could arise should the moratorium expire before the town is adequately prepared, Town Manager Jeffrey Hull recommended at the Oct. 23 meeting of the Board of Selectmen that the board develop two articles for this year’s Town Meeting.

The first would modify zoning bylaws to restrict the sale of cannabis in any zone, and the second would modify inhabitant bylaws to do the same thing. Both would be brought before voters at the 2018 Town Meeting.

The prospect of the town being

faced with an end to the moratorium prior to the development of more specific legislation was a concern among all of the selectmen. Selectman Ed Loud asked what the implications of both articles failing would be, and suggested that an additional article be proposed at Town Meeting to restrict the sale of cannabis to locations away from schools and residents.

“It would be a concern of mine,” said Loud, “if on Lowell Street, next to Kindercare, one of these stores opened up.”

Selectman Michael McCoy was also concerned about the zoning implications of a blanket restriction on marijuana sales. He mentioned the need a few years ago to designate Ballardvale Street as an adult entertainment area in order to avoid a lawsuit.

“We’ve got to be careful with what direction we go,” said McCoy. “That could bite us in the end.”

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## Data and how it helps the Wilmington Schools

By **LIZZIE MCDERMOTT**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — At a recent meeting of the Wilmington School Committee, Data and Assessment Specialist Jen White gave an overview of her role in the Wilmington Public Schools system.

White described her primary responsibility as "... (getting) the right data at the right time," in order to improve student learning.

She gave an overview of the different types of information that the district collects and uses, including instructional data in regards both to how well students are learning and how well educators are teaching them. She emphasized the importance of looking not just at "end of the year" achievement markers, but at the day-to-day experience of students.

"Are kids getting it?" she asked. "Are we helping them grow academically?"

She also suggested that a primary challenge in the school system is efforts to change too many things simultaneously.

The solution to this, White suggests, is, "Do less. Do it better."

School Committee member Jen Bryson asked White how teachers can

benefit from the data collected. White answered that she primarily works with principals and department leaders. In building the capacity of leadership to drive data review processes, the department is cultivating the system's efficiency such that data assessment specialists do not need to sit with individual teachers.

Bryson also asked what the current top priorities of the department are, which White outlined as getting the Envisions program in place at the primary and middle school level, getting new ELA assessments in place, and providing more overall consistency and clarity for teachers.

Inter-district consistency was a recurrent theme throughout the discussion. Assistant Superintendent Sean Gallagher works frequently with White to coordinate with principals throughout the district, and describes his role as working to close the achievement gap through instructional leadership.

Through these interactions with Wilmington principals, Gallagher is optimistic that Wilmington is on the right track in terms of consistency.

"As we wrote our goals this year... we kind of all shared the same goals."

## Ghoul Scout dance a frighteningly good time

Girl Scout Halloween Dance: Troop 60803 and Troop 87000 helped run two dances for Tewksbury and Wilmington Girl Scouts. (Courtesy photo)



## Grand Lodge of Masons awards George Ross

By **LIZZY HILL**  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — Massachusetts' Grand Lodge of Masons recognized George Ross earlier this month for their Robert H. Johnston Service Award.

Mason Dick Searfoss said in a statement, "The award is named for Robert H. Johnston, a World War II Marine, and a Mason for 60 years."

He added that Johnston was the kind of person who did all of the jobs that no one else wanted, simply because they had to be done. He said that the war hero who just

recently passed away truly deserved his name.

Searfoss explained how George T. Ross of Wilmington exemplified the standard that Johnston stood for.

"[He] exhibits these same great qualities that every Mason strives for," his statement continued. "He is consistently the first to volunteer, and continually serves the Friendship Lodge of Wilmington in any way possible."

It's his outstanding service that brought him to the Lodge's attention for the award.

Ross has been doing award-winning things with the Masons over his time as

a member, which include taking care of rentals, maintaining the grounds, cleaning bathrooms, and being their activities chairman.

The Friendship Lodge is a fraternal organization that's been in Wilmington since 1901.

"Our [members'] average age is about 65 years old," Searfoss said.

They currently have around 140 members, with closer to 50 active. The Wilmington Masons have been running their two special programs with the help of Ross and other members, where they rent health equipment and wheelchair ramps to anyone in need in the area for as long as they would like. They also give scholarships to children in need and to high school graduates.



► On Oct. 18, the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts bestowed the Robert H. Johnston Service Award to George T. Ross of Wilmington (from District Deputy Grand Master Paul B. Cragie). The award is named for Robert H. Johnston, a World War II Marine, and a Mason for 60 years. Brother Johnston served the country, and Freemasonry, in numerous capacities, always doing the jobs that nobody liked or noticed. He did these jobs not for recognition, but simply because they needed to be done. Brother George Ross exhibits these same great qualities that every Mason strives for. He is consistently the first to volunteer, and continually serves Friendship Lodge of Wilmington in any way possible. Friendship Lodge would like to congratulate George Ross on this achievement, and well-deserved recognition. (Photo by Dick Searfoss)

## WCTV news and notes

By **SHAUN NEVILLE**  
WCTV Executive Director

I wanted to write to the community about ongoing issues that are affecting Board of Selectmen meetings.

We first became aware of this issue in late September and this has now impacted three straight meetings to varying degrees. Essentially, viewers are losing audio for 2-4 seconds in spots throughout the live broadcast. It can create a very frustrating television experience.

We have spent hours looking into this issue, eyeing everything from the microphones to our playback system. This problem has been especially troublesome because we have been unable to manually reproduce it. It

is seemingly happening in random spots throughout the meeting.

The recording itself is free of any drop-outs. Any re-broadcast or online viewing should not have any audio issues. This is a good thing, but also complicates our efforts to pinpoint the problem, as the audio loss is happening live (and random). Going back on our recording to figure out a trigger has not been possible.

Please know that we are aware of this issue and are continuing to work on the problem. Live meeting coverage is an incredibly important part of what we do and we know that viewers depend on it.

If you are experiencing technical problems on our channels, please contact the station at 978-657-4066 or you

can email me at [sneville@wctv.org](mailto:sneville@wctv.org). While we monitor our stations most of the time, we need to keep tabs on three television channels across two cable providers, as well as online streaming. Bottom line: we can't watch everything at once. Viewer feedback is important to let us know of issues.

Thanks for your patience on this.

**New Programs:** These air on one of WCTV's 3 television stations (Public: Comcast 9/Verizon 37 - Government: Comcast 22/Verizon 38 - Education: Comcast 99/Verizon 39). You can also watch them at [WCTV.org](http://WCTV.org).

**Board of Selectmen (WCTV Government):** Monday's discussion centered on the budget and affordable housing proposals.

**Candlelight Vigil (WCTV Public):** Earlier this month, the town held a candlelight vigil to raise awareness about substance abuse. You can now watch the full program.

**Where's Wilmington (WCTV Public):** The Sole Sisters are on this month to talk about running around Wilmington! Learn how you can get involved.

Check out [WCTV.org](http://WCTV.org) for more information on when programs will be televised and how you can get involved at your community television station. Membership is free and there's no time commitment.

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**SPECIAL TAX BREAKS FOR U.S. ARMED FORCES - PART II -**

An automatic extension to file a federal income tax return is available to U.S. service members stationed abroad. Also, those serving in a combat zone typically have until 180 days after they leave the combat zone to file and to pay any tax due.

Most military bases offer free tax preparation and filing assistance during the tax filing season. Some also offer free tax help after the April deadline.

Both spouses normally must sign a joint income tax return, but if one spouse is absent due to certain military duty or conditions, the other spouse may be able to sign for him or her. A power of attorney is required in other instances. A military installation's legal office may be able to help.

Those leaving the military and looking for work may be able to deduct some job search expenses, such as the costs of travel, preparing a resume and job placement agency fees. Moving expenses may also qualify for a tax deduction.

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History:  
Hundreds of acres  
burned in one day,  
70 years ago

By CAPT. LARZ NEILSON  
written in 1953 for the  
Wilmington Crusader

October 1947 was a month much like the present one. The year had been quite dry, with each successive month showing less rainfall. As the fall came in and the leaves dropped, it was gradually becoming apparent that the woodlands were critically dry. A ban was placed on hunting, and the firemen of the six New England states crossed their fingers and hoped.

Oct. 23 was the day. Up in Maine on that day, there were fires that swept hundreds of miles of woodlands, known today as the Bar Harbor fires. The story took the headlines of the nation's newspapers.

Here in Wilmington, too, there were crucial fires. There were four fires that day, three of which were extensive in area, endangering considerable property. Wilmington at the time had four fire trucks, a 1929 Ford built by the men of the department, a 1934 Chevy, a LaFrance and the 1940 Mack. In addition, the Wilmington department had two trailers, which were extremely helpful on that day.

Retired Fire Chief Winfred Rice often reflected on the day, and gave thanks that

there were no hunters in the woods that day, to be trapped by the flames.

The first fire, a small one, was on the other side of Silver Lake about 10:30 a.m. It was easily put out, and the men returned to the station and began hanging up hose to dry. At 11:30 the alarm came for a fire just above the pumping station on Andover Street.

This fire, one of the two worst of the day, swept over 600 acres of land in Wilmington and North Reading, Billerica, Burlington, Reading, Stoneham and Wakefield sent aid to the Wilmington department. On the North Reading side, half a dozen cities and towns were also fighting the fire, including Andover, Lawrence and Melrose.

Hundreds of volunteer firefighters, high school boys and old men, and personnel from the Highway, Water and Cemetery departments all responded to the call. Armed with shovels and portable "Indian cans," the men spread through the woods, fighting the fire on all fronts.

The Wilmington Police Department was sorely tried that day as small boys and sightseers flocked to the scene. Streets were blocked off, but the crowds simply



▲ Less than a year after the 1947 fires, this photo was taken near Silver Lake showing Wilmington's 1940 Mack. From left, unidentified Reading fireman, Reading Chief Hugh Eames, Wakefield Chief Clifford Jacobs, Wakefield fireman, Wilmington fireman Dice O'Neil and Wilmington Chief Winfred Rice. (Courtesy photo)

ducked into the woods and came up on the other side of the barriers.

While all this apparatus was deployed, with the hundreds of men, a fire in Woburn started towards the Wilmington — Reading line. The Reading trucks were recalled to fight this blaze, which threatened the center of that town, carried by a fairly strong westerly breeze. In firefighters parlance, it was a "Number Five" day — dangerous.

With these two fires keeping everyone busy, a third

fire started in Andover, just over the Wilmington line, near the railroad. It didn't come from the railroad and never reached it, but it spread out along Ballardvale Street, over Rattlesnake Hill and towards Andover Road. Trucks, sorely needed in other places, were deployed to fight this new threat, under the command of Harold Cail.

Response from all sources was magnificent. From Nashua, New Hampshire came aid, and all sorts of tank trucks were pressed into serv-

ice to carry water into regions not serviced with water mains. From the last hydrant on Andover Street, a hose line was led three-quarters of a mile into the fire between Andover and Ballardvale streets, over Rattlesnake Hill. Another hose line, this one one-eighth of a mile long was led into the fire which swept into North Reading.

From a statistical viewpoint, the fire that swept into North Reading was the worst one of the day. Several homes in North Reading were destroyed by the flames and the

North Reading sanitarium was evacuated when it, too, was threatened. Patients were hurriedly transferred to hospitals in other towns.

Many Wilmington men were on their feet for 36 or 48 hours from Oct. 23 to 25, as they fought the fire. The fires were out in one sense of the word in about 40 hours. Isolated hot spots and underground fires kept the firemen busy for a week.

(Capt. Larz Neilson founded the Town Crier in 1955. He was editor of the Crusader from 1951 to 1955.)

BILLERICA — The Baker-Polito administration has awarded Shawsheen Valley Regional Technical High School a Workforce Skills Capital grant in the amount of \$382,830, the second award of its kind received by the district in the last two years. Grant money will be used to modernize equipment in the school's Culinary Arts kitchen, bakery, restaurant and cafe, to create a wider variety of food preparation and service experiences for students, to introduce "farm-to-table" curriculum and facilities as part of the culinary program, and to build model hotel and conference facilities.

"We are grateful for this expression of confidence from the governor and his Workforce Skills Cabinet," said Shawsheen Tech Superintendent-Director Tim Broadrick. "Maintaining a cutting-edge vocational school facility is an expensive and daunting task. This kind of support helps us continue to provide the highest-quality service to high school and adult students."

The school district applied for this grant in partnership with the Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce, the

## Shawsheen Tech awarded grant for \$382,830

Middlesex3 Coalition and the Massachusetts Restaurant Association. In addition to the improvements to Shawsheen Tech's Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management programs, the four partners intend to build a workforce training program for adults that will help address a serious local workforce need.

With the new equipment, Shawsheen Tech students will have opportunities to participate in modes of service that have become more common in the modern food service industry, particularly café-style counter service, "grab-and-go" retail service, and the operation of a food truck. The "farm-to-table" curriculum will include new greenhouses at the school.

Joe Williams, the Culinary Arts Lead Teacher, who is both a graduate and a long-time teacher at Shawsheen Tech, said, "The restaurant business these days is more diverse than ever. Dining room service and banquet services are important, but more and more businesses are adopting other models. There is a greater focus on

local sourcing of ingredients. This equipment will help us transform our facilities to reflect the current state of the restaurant world."

The new equipment will also enable Shawsheen Tech, the Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Middlesex3 Coalition to develop a new-employee training program to serve the needs of local businesses. This adult training program will be offered evenings and on weekends, expanding the use of the grant-supported equipment.

According to Rick Parker, president of the Burlington Area Chamber of Commerce, "There are hundreds of unfilled jobs in restaurants and hotels in the Burlington, Bedford, and Billerica area. We have actually had new restaurants open and then struggle because they couldn't find enough qualified staff. Shawsheen Tech has a history to producing well-prepared students who are ready to enter the local economy. We are confident that they will be able to build a high-quality program to train and re-

train workers for employment in this field."

Broadrick says that this grant is only the beginning. "The District School Committee has been interested in

finding new ways to develop our Culinary and Hospitality program," he said, "During this year's capital budget preparation, we plan to discuss ways the district can

provide additional support to these programs by committing district time and materials to sensible renovations of our restaurant, bakery and kitchen spaces. This is very much a team effort, and everyone is on board, starting with the committee."

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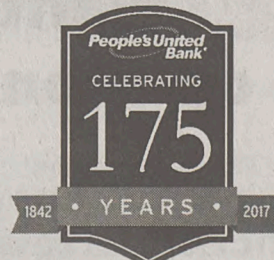
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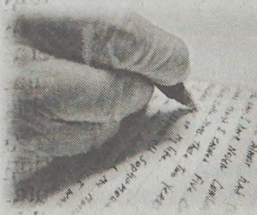
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## Letters to the editor

### House budget paves way for tax cuts for wealthy

Dear editor,  
In response to your coverage of the budget and tax debate in DC: I'm outraged that the House just passed a budget that paves the way for large tax cuts for wealthy millionaires and corporations — paid for by cuts to basic assistance programs.

With one in eight Americans are living at or below the poverty line, why are some members of Congress taking aim at the very federal programs that help working families make ends meet just to pay for tax breaks for the wealthy?

Medicaid is a lifeline for children, seniors, and people with disabilities. SNAP (for-

merly food stamps) lifted 3.6 million out of poverty last year and the Earned Income and Child Tax Credits lifted 8.2 million people above the poverty line. Gutting these programs — and many others, including Medicare and education — to pay for tax cuts for millionaires and big corporations is unconscionable.

With important budget decisions happening now, I hope I can count on our members of Congress to stand with families and kids here in our state and reject these reckless tax giveaways.

Sincerely,  
William Deignan Jr

### Is public safety really just about the drivers?

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, the Tewksbury Board of Selectmen met with Town engineers and engineering firm TEC to discuss a draft Complete Street policy as well as the results of a speed study of Shawshen Street, Whipple Road, North Street, Andover Street, and East Street.

We all know that talking about sidewalks in Tewksbury isn't just kicking a dead horse — it's impatiently waiting in a 10-mile line with thousands of other residents waiting to give Mr. Ed a boot. Vehicle speed on roadways that lack sidewalks to accommodate pedestrians makes walking in town noticeably unsafe. A strong Complete Streets policy can help set municipal standards to make roadways safer and more accessible to pedestrians and cyclists by reducing speeds and improving infrastructure.

In regards to the speed study, outside of leaving a speed limit as it stands, the results are inevitably to either increase or decrease the speed limit. The options are obviously limited and historically result in speed increases instead of implementing traffic calming measures when necessary. It's odd that both the Complete Street program and speed study were on the same meeting agenda, let alone presented by the same party, as they generally call for extremely different results.

In the manner that the speed study has been done, the speed of a specific number of cars on each roadway was measured within a certain period of time. The 85th percentile speed of those vehicles determines the ideal speed on those roadways for traffic. The 85th Percentile idea, based on the 1964 "Solomon Curve" (a graph of the collision rate of automobiles as a function of their speed compared to the average vehicle speed on the same road), says speed limits should be set at what 85 percent of drivers think is healthy. It was created 53

years ago when we didn't have the research and statistics on traffic dangers we do today.

Cars in the mid 60s lacked power steering. They lacked full suspension.

They lacked turbo charge and the pickup of today's average vehicles. Our roads 50 years ago were also far less water permeable and traction was substantially harder to maintain.

50 years ago, the 85th percentile would be noticeably lower than on the same roadway today. So why is that metric the main factor in a modern speed study? Why use a rule built for cars 50 years ago to determine current speed limits? It's like deciding to spruce up your living room by cracking open a can of lead paint. We now know better.

Traffic deaths in the U.S. increase year-by-year. According to a recent report by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), speed is the often overlooked factor. One of NTSB's specific recommendations is "Revise traditional speed-setting standards to balance 85th percentile approaches with safe systems approach that better incorporates crash history, safety of pedestrians, bicyclists." The 85th percentile rule alone isn't even the choice of the our leading transportation safety board.

At the 2017 Moving Together conference, MassDOT announced and released their Statewide Pedestrian Plan Resource Guide. A reoccurring set of statistics in this guide was the fatality or severe injury rate of pedestrians involved in motor vehicle crashes. 82% of people will survive being hit by a car traveling 20mph. 50% of people will survive a crash with a 30mph vehicle. A pedestrian has a 77% fatality rate when the vehicle is traveling at 40mph. Pedestrians involved in crashes with motor vehicles are more likely to be severely or fatally injured when vehicle speeds are



## Students come together for Unified Basketball League

(Photo by Matt Fronduto)

By MATT FRONDUTO  
TMHS Correspondent

Just one week ago Tewksbury Memorial High School hosted its first ever Unified Sports event, which took the form of a heart-warming basketball game with Billerica, Methuen, and of course, Tewksbury.

Unfamiliar with unified sports teams? Sponsored statewide by the Special Olympics, unified teams are comprised of students with and without disabilities, all of whom compete together against other local schools. Such an incredible idea was all but guaranteed to be a surefire success, and thanks to the hard work of Athletic Director Ron Drouin, Best

Buddies club leader Brian Aylward, and most importantly, all of the students who took part in the event, the results were as wonderful as everyone could have hoped.

The event was set up primarily by the Best Buddies Club who, led by dedicated club advisor Aylward, worked with the Special Olympics to make the tournament possible. In doing so, he brightened the day of everyone who participated, and warmed the hearts of all those who looked on.

One participant and Best Buddies member Mike Polimeno seemed to perfectly describe the powerful experience, saying, "It felt awesome to be on the team. I loved to see the

smiles on my teammates' faces whenever they would score. They were really having fun which was most important."

It was clear to everyone who looked on during the game that regardless of who emerged with a higher score, both sides would be victorious.

And Polimeno raises an excellent point, that at the end of the day, all that really matters is that the participants truly had a great time. For those who are less privileged than others, inclusion in an event such as this one can be nothing short of magical, which is why the work of the Best Buddies Club is so important.

Take it from Polimeno, who says that in his expe-

rience, the club has been, "A rewarding experience for both sides," and now that the Unified Basketball Tournament has proved itself to be such a massive success, it seems to be the gift that keeps on giving.

So if you are reading this as a student of TMHS, it would be wise to join the Best Buddies Club, as not only would you be giving back to the community, but you will absolutely gain something from the experience.

Don't believe me? Just take a look at the smiles on the faces of the Unified Basketball Game's participants. It is a once and a lifetime experience, as not everyone has the chance to help be a part of something so special.

higher. The chances of collision resulting in either fatality or severe injury increase with the speedometer reading. At best, a non-fatal high speed crash may leave an adult with a few broken bones. Children in these instances aren't nearly as lucky.

As the speed study shows, when you have a 35mph speed limit, you'll inevitably see cars driving 40-45mph, especially on straight roadways with minimal enforcement or traffic calming like those in the study.

When the speed limit increases, as does the threshold for speeding.

You'll then have the possibility of even higher fatality rates resulting from crashes. These roadways are still neighborhoods. If you were living on one of these roads, would you rather your children cross a street where cars are going 20mph or 40mph?

East Street alone is roughly 7 miles long. Driving 35mph on a 7 mile stretch would take you 12 minutes. Driving at 30mph takes 14 minutes. 20 mph gives you a 21 minute trip. Is the time we're saving driving at increased speeds worth the 80% increase in collision fatality rates?

The second overwhelming problem with the 85th percentile metric is that it only takes into account the driver's experience on that roadway. How are pedestrian, cyclists, or residents of the roadway factored into this? They often aren't. Increasing the speed limit moves traffic along quicker but at the cost of residential comfort and safety.

When you're behind the wheel of any vehicle on any road, your brain is constantly calculating and assessing risk factors. If there is little risk, you tend to go faster. This is why highways are designed with wide lanes and are separated from parked cars, pedestrians, and cyclists.

Highway speeds are comfortable because the road-

way prioritizes the elimination of hazards so that you can travel faster. Narrow streets with the distractions of parked cars, trees, and people tell you to slow down. They make you assume there is more risk as there is less margin of error. This is a good thing for pedestrians, cyclists and anyone else not in a car. When roadways are designed for all users instead of just vehicles, drivers feel less comfortable and instinctively travel slower.

This speed reduction increases public safety and makes our streets more pleasant for everyone.

With the use of the latest GPS or apps like WAZE, drivers can now get a play-by-play of roadway speeds and conditions. Higher speeds mean that these tools see certain roadways as more desirable. This results in roadways being prioritized and more motor vehicles being filtered onto roadways of which they would not have traveled before. What would that mean for us? More cut throughs that start on the arterials in this speed study and then onto connecting streets.

I have an unmarked blind driveway in a 25mph section of one of the roadways in the study. Nobody takes the corner outside my home at 25mph.

Very few people even drive at the speed limit on the bulk of the roadway. The usual, and clearly unsafe, method for leaving my home is to cut off or block traffic going in one direction and hit the gas again when the slightest break appears in the opposite direction. What happens if the speed increases? Will my experiences as a resident even factor into the outcome? It currently doesn't sound like public involvement or input is being considered as part of the inevitable speed limit adjustments. Since the roadways in question are main arterials, it's safe to assume that many non-residents helped determine the 85th

percentile speed. They may not live here, but they'll determine our safety and the rules we live by.

The Vision Committee released their Envision Tewksbury 2037 report in September. The four months leading up to the report's release included several public outreach opportunities as well as an online mapping tool where people could flag specific areas of town and provide feedback on these areas. This is the gold standard of public process. It shows towns can decide on a direction with residents instead of just deciding for them. This process should be adopted for both the complete street and speed study initiatives.

As the town brings forward a draft complete streets policy, its worth bringing up how a strong policy would help us in cases like this, where we should be pushing for safe, comfortable roadways for all users, not just moving traffic. Where the

85th percentile rule falls short, the Complete Streets program is a great way for us to be able to tackle design solutions to calm traffic and reduce speeding on our residential roads, rather than relying on speed limits.

After the roadways are brought into state compliance, some speed limits will be petitioned to change from the standard state regulations. Will the town put more value on moving more vehicles at higher speeds on our roadways or more value on the safety and comfort of our residents? Will residents have a say? People drive cars. But people also live on those roads. People walk and bike those roads. We need the speeds to be looked at to benefit people not necessarily drivers. We need the public to guide the Complete Streets plan and we need the Complete Streets plan to govern the results of the traffic study.

Chris Mullins

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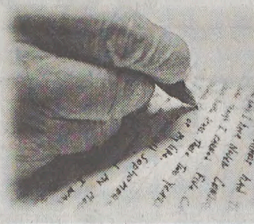
# New England Transrail, Olin site threaten quality of life

The 53 acres of property located at 51 Eames was largely tranquil forest through the 1940s, prior to falling prey to development in the early 1950s with the construction of a manufacturing facility on the site. The opening of this manufacturing plant heralded an environmentally hazardous succession of chemical manufacturing operations between 1953 and 1986, the last of which was the Olin Chemical manufacturing company starting in 1980.

It was Olin that produced and disposed of a number of liquid wastes in unlined pits known as "lagoons" over the site's final six years of operation between the years of 1980 and 1986, thus leading to the logically named "Olin Superfund Site."

Unfortunately, the 1986 closing of the manufacturing site did little to alleviate the pollution. Following the lagoons seeping into the nearby groundwater, it was determined necessary to close five municipal water supply wells that served 7,000 people within the Town of Wilmington. Following this crisis, 51 Eames St. became a "superfund site" on April 16, 2006.

Superfund is a term that implicates the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and



## Letters to the editor

Liability Act (CERCLA), which necessitates an extensive clean up to be conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency, as well as an exhaustive review by the Surface Transportation Board (STB) in order to determine the prudent course of action moving forward with regard to the business interests of the site.

This is in addition to the numerous environmental investigations and response activities that had been conducted prior to this development, which resulted in the excavation and off-site transportation of a relatively large quantity of contaminated soil. The completion of the aforementioned CERCLA mandated environmental review to be conducted by the STB in conjunction with the clean up by the EPA will represent the trigger that will effectively authorize New England Transrail (NET) to once and for all begin receiving and processing raw commodities such as salt, sand, gravel, soil,

lumber, plastics, steel, paper, woodchips, clay, and brick, as well as some other types of hazardous materials for transfer from this site.

It should come as no surprise that NET is petitioning the STB to recant its 2012 decision to defer this review, but what is truly complicating matters is that the EPA endorsed this idea in November of 2015.

The EPA cited reasons such as the intention of NET to exclusively process raw commodities, as opposed to solid waste, the economic benefit of returning contaminated land to use, and the benefit of free waste removal as reasons why they are in favor of the new proposal; however, regardless of the veracity of these rationales, the EPA assumed this stance before it even completed its investigation of the site, or established a definitive clean up plan, as mandated by regulation. Since the EPA has yet to even render a record of decision, it is only logical for the

STB to uphold its decision to defer its environmental review, which would at the very least buy the town more time.

However on June 24, 2016, NET filed a petition for exemption with the STB, which could render all of this a moot. Regardless, it is for all of the reasons outlined that the Town of Wilmington is adamant that the eventual sale of the Olin property to NET never should have been permitted in the first place. In addition to the regulatory stipulations and environmental concerns cited, there are also a plethora of practical concerns on the part of the Town of Wilmington that will adversely impact that quality of lives for local residents.

Those familiar with the Town of Wilmington know that the portion of the community in the vicinity of Eames Street is a suburban, residential district, with relatively narrow, conforting thoroughfares, thus not only will traffic concerns and noise pollution be immense, but the large volume of trucks navigating these winding roads will pose quite the danger indeed.

The latest proposal from NET entails 20-25 rail cars daily six days per week, each car containing 3.5

truckloads of material. 90 trucks per day will be leaving twice daily to haul away materials, totaling 180 daily truck trips beginning about 5:30 a.m. and continuing until 4 p.m. In addition to the inordinately large volume of truck traffic on this residential roadway on nearly a daily basis and the dangerous chemical contamination that has already punished the land, there are still more environmental hazards in play.

The integrity of the slurry wall that was constructed by Olin in the year 2000 in order to isolate the most heavily contaminated land may be compromised by daily vibration from the heavy volume of railcar traffic, which is an issue that may very well be exacerbated by the sheer weight of these trains and trucks loosening compacted soil and sediment, thus expediting the spread of contaminated water. This is extremely disconcerting because Wilmington is already plagued by an above average cancer rate among children, thus any further contamination threatens to pose an even greater health risk for local families, which is why swift action is needed.

Wilmington has quickly evolved into one of the most desirable places to live in

Massachusetts given its convenient location and quality school system, and now its incumbent upon its residents to fight to maintain this high quality of life. In order to do so it is imperative for the town's population to be educated on this matter and thus empowered to take collective action because as local representative Jim Miceli stated, "this transrail is going to ruin this town, mark my words."

Miceli advises that concerned residents should demand answers from Remedial Project Manager (RPM) Jim DiLorenzo, (*dilorenzo.jim@epa.gov*, (617) 918-1247) at the EPA to the burning question of why he has been permitting the sale of the Olin superfund site to the New England transrail company to proceed despite a myriad of unaddressed issues. Not the least of which is a toxic elixir of environmental, logistical and health concerns being forced down the throats of Wilmington residents; otherwise quality of life as we know it maybe over. I urge my fellow residents to join me in erring our concerns.

Raymond Spinazola

## Citizens concerned over location of detox facility

Dear editor,

As many of are aware a development group is presently considering constructing a 48 bed detox center in North Wilmington on Middlesex Ave. The Concerned Citizens Coalition has been formed to protest the location of this facility.

Predictably, we have drawn a lot of fire for taking this position. We have been characterized as heartless, uncaring and self-serving as well as being totally ignorant of the opioid epidemic that is taking a devastating toll on our American society.

The purpose of this article is to clarify who we are and, more importantly, who we are not. From a personal perspective in a past life I was a director level manager at Mass Rehabilitation Commission. In the recent past, I formed a group of over 100 subject matter experts from Cape Cod to include clergy, physicians, pharmacists, law enforcement specialists, rehabilitation counselors, recovering victims of the epidemic and family who has lost love ones to this tragedy.

We were able to formulate a comprehensive multi-faced strategy to mitigate opioid use and deaths. My wife and I have also lost a relative to Fentanyl.

Our neighborhood is blessed with wonderful people to include nurses, social workers and first responders who exist to combat this epidemic and save lives on a daily basis. Like us, many of our friends and neighbors have experienced the profound grief that comes with the loss of friends and family to this tragedy. To suggest the members of our coalition do not understand or care about this issue is hurtful and irre-

sponsible. Our resistance to locating a detox facility next to our neighborhood is not fueled by ignorance. On the contrary, too many of us have experienced the ravages of this epidemic up-close-and-personal. We know first-hand of the predictable consequences of locating a detox center next to any residential area.

At the selectmen's meeting on Sept. 25 Selectman Champoux lectured our resident about NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard). If NIMBY is a crime we are guilty as charged. NIMBY is a double edged sword. If you live in our neighborhood you oppose the location of the detox center. If you know it will not be in your backyard and like us, you understand the seriousness of the opioid crisis, you can easily occupy the moral "High Ground" comfortable in knowing that you will not suffer the ill effects of having a detox center in your backyard.

The Concerned Citizens asks you to "Walk a mile in our shoes." Pretend the detox center will be within 200 feet of your property line. You and your family understand the rate of recidivism, the fact that this industry is unregulated and that the proposed detox center will allow patients to walk out the front door any time they desire.

The school bus stop is only a stone's throw from the facility. You have the knowledge that the crime rate will increase. The children in your neighborhood have always taken a short-cut to get to a local store. That short-cut will take them through a wooded area right behind the proposed location. You know that it is very likely that used

syringes will be discarded here. Your property values will drop on the average of 100K. Finally, your fellow citizens have tarred you as uncaring and selfish.

The residents in our neighborhood are no different than you. We care deeply about and have felt the sting of the opioid epidemic. Like you, we want to protect our family, especially our children and grandchildren. To do anything else would be unthinkable. We do not oppose detox centers. In fact, we recognize the need for them.

However, they have no place in proximity to a residential area. Please support a change in the zoning laws that will prevent this from happening. If you don't and the attempt to locate the facility in North Wilmington fails; you could be in the cross-hairs next. When and if that ever happens to your neighborhood our coalition will be there to defend you.

Why jeopardize any Wilmington neighborhood for no valid reason when there is an effective solution that will place none of our residents in peril? I close with the Concerned Citizens Coalition mission statement:

Mission Statement for the Concerned Citizens Coalition

"The Concerned Citizens Coalition exists for two equally important purposes. First, to support any and all responsible efforts to combat the opioid epidemic which is devastating the fabric of our society. Second, to defend and preserve the safety and wellbeing of our families and neighbors."

Right Time Wrong Location

Gerry Bruno

## Women-in-Business event



Nancy Vallee, Executive Director of the Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce, along with other area Chamber Directors hosted a Multi-Chamber Women In Business event recently at the Hilton in Woburn. Guest speaker, Joan Vennoch, Pulitzer Prize winning Journalist from the Boston Globe captivated the audience with her insight on the evolution of journalism. Joan was wonderful; engaging, humble and brilliant. Contact the Chamber at 978-657-7211 to learn about their many networking events.

## State Fire Marshall offers Halloween safety tips

State Fire Marshal Peter J. Ostrosky offers fire safety tips for celebrating Halloween including using battery-operated tea lights in pumpkins instead of candles. More children are injured by cars than fire on Halloween, so it's important for children to be visible and to practice pedestrian safety. Drivers should use extra caution; drive more slowly and watch for children who may forget to cross at corners and use crosswalks.

Reminder: Be Careful with Halloween Costumes, Decorations and Trick-or-Treating

Remind youngsters to cross at crosswalks or corners and not to dart out between parked cars. More children are hit by cars on Halloween than any other

single day.

- Children should carry a flashlight or glow sticks; costumes should be brightly colored or have reflective tape to highlight them.

- Be sure all parts of costumes are labeled flame retardant.

- Costumes should not have trailing materials or tails long enough to cause falls.

- If a child is wearing a mask instead of make-up, make sure the eye holes are large enough to see through clearly.

- Make sure your home is well-lit inside and out and that there is a clear path to your door.

- Use a small flashlight or battery-operated tea light in pumpkins instead of a candle.

- Keep decorations like

cornstalks and leaves away from heat sources and lit candles.

- Children under 12 should always be with an adult. It's best to take little ones out early. If older children are going out without you, go over the ground rules first and set a curfew. Have them travel in a group and with a cell phone and flashlight.

- Fireworks are dangerous and illegal in Massachusetts. The ban includes firecrackers, cherry bombs and party poppers.

For more information on Halloween Safety, contact your local fire department or look at the Department of Fire Services website at [www.mass.gov/dfs](http://www.mass.gov/dfs), search on Halloween Safety, or call the Public Fire Safety Education Hotline at 1-877-9-NO-FIRE.

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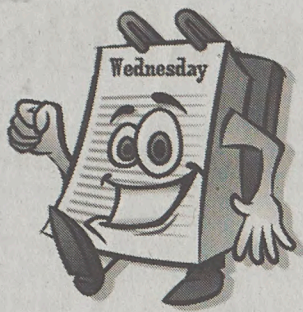
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## Wilmington Calendar:

### Sons of Italy Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday

**Farmer's Market**  
Sundays from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
Town Common Parking Lot  
The Farmer's Market is back for the summer and will continue through October 29. Come to hear great music, buy fresh products and support local businesses.

**Safety seat installation**  
Every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Public Safety Building, 1 Adelaide Street  
The Wilmington Police Department offers safety seat installs at the Wilmington Public Safety Building (1 Adelaide St.) every Wednesday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. No appointment is necessary, but calling ahead at 978-658-5071 is recommended.

**Family Movie & Craft Night at Abundant Life Church**  
Friday, October 27 from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.  
Abundant Life Church, 173 Church Street  
It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown will be showing at the Abundant Life Church. The suggested donation is an item or items

for the Wilmington Food Pantry. For more information, call 978-658-8584, email [info@ablifetchurch.org](mailto:info@ablifetchurch.org), or go to [ablifetchurch.org](http://ablifetchurch.org).

**Sons of Italy Holiday Craft Fair**  
Saturday, October 28 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  
Villanova Hall, 126 Middlesex Avenue  
The Wilmington Sons of Italy's Junior Lodge is presenting their tenth annual Holiday Craft Fair. The Craft Fair features a display of gift baskets for a raffle, holiday gift items, crafters, artisans, independent vendors, a bake sale table, hot lunch, and a white elephant table.

**Burlington Quilters' Guild 34th Annual Quilt Show, Boutique and Vendors**  
Saturday, October 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, October 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Middlesex Community College Campus Center, 591 Springs Road in Bedford  
The Burlington Quilters' Guild will host its 34th Annual Quilt Show, Boutique and Vendors on Saturday, Oc-

tober 28 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Local quilters will display their handiwork at the Middlesex Community College Campus Center, 591 Springs Road in Bedford. This year's show will feature their guild made, queen size raffle quilt and the Boutique has guild member made quilted crafts for sale. They also have a large selection of raffle baskets to take chances on. The raffle drawings will be Sunday at 3:30 p.m.; you do not need to be present to win. Admission is \$7.00. Buses welcome! Free parking and handicap accessible. For more information, email Marianne Russell at [burlington\\_show@burlingtonquiltersguild.com](mailto:burlington_show@burlingtonquiltersguild.com).

**Knights of Columbus Cribbage**  
Mondays at 7:00 p.m.  
Wilmington Knights of Columbus  
The Wilmington Knights of Columbus will once again be hosting weekly cribbage matches. Games will be held on Monday nights throughout the fall, winter and spring starting on Monday, September 11 at 7:00 p.m.

The games are held in the member's lounge located in the lower level of the building and access is through the rear door. Admission is \$5 with most of that being returned to the first and second place finishers each week. This is an adult activity open to the readership of this newspaper as well as brother knights. The games are friendly head to head competitions and all skill levels are welcome. Adult beverages are available and the club has wide screen TVs to keep track of your favorite teams. For more information, please call Bob at 978-851-4985.

**Wilmington Sons of Italy Junior Lodge**  
Fourth of July Building  
Children ages 10-18 are eligible to join the Sons of Italy Junior Lodge, a local charitable organization. Applicants do not need to be Italian. Members of the lodge participate in numerous fundraisers and other events. The Junior Lodge has frequent community service events and several leadership positions available each year. Dues are \$10 per person for the year.

## Tewksbury Calendar:

### Friends of the Elderly Fall Giant Yard Sale

**Farmer's Market**  
Every Tuesday through October 31 from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.  
Tewksbury Town Common  
The Tewksbury Farmer's Market is open every Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 pm. on the Tewksbury Town Common. The market is open Tuesdays through October 31, excluding July 4, September 5, and October 10.

**Tap class**  
Thursdays from 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  
A fun, beginner level tap class that works on rhythm and basic tap steps put to upbeat music from the 50's through today's music!

**Friends Annual Halloween Dance**  
Friday, October 27 from 7:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m.  
Tewksbury Senior Center,

175 Chandler Street  
The Friends Annual Halloween Dance will be held on Friday, October 27 at the Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street from 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. There will be a costume contest at 7:15 p.m. followed by dancing to the ever popular D.B.'s Orchestra. Tickets are \$12 per person and may be purchased now or at the door on the 27. All are welcome.

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**Friends of the Elderly Fall Giant Yard Sale**  
Saturday, November 4 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street  
The Friends of the Elderly will hold its Fall Giant Yard Sale at the Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler Street on Saturday, November 4 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The event will be held rain or shine. There will be over 30 treasure tables, a yummy bake sale table and luncheon specials. Table space is available at \$20 per table or \$35 for two tables. To reserve a table one may drop by the Senior Center any Tuesday - Thursday morning. Tables are going fast so don't wait too long. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Friends Senior Citizen Holiday events.

## Tewksbury Council on Aging news

### TEWKSBURY SENIOR CENTER TRAVEL/ACTIVITIES/ INFORMATION:

**Medicare Open Enrollment is here (10/15 through 12/7)**  
Even if you are happy with your existing plan(s), make sure to take advantage of open enrollment every year! Provider contracts with Medicare are renegotiated every year and/or your coverage needs may have changed. You can compare plans yourself by visiting [www.medicare.gov/find-a-plan/questions/home.aspx](http://www.medicare.gov/find-a-plan/questions/home.aspx) or make an appointment with our SHINE Counselor by calling 978-640-4480. Appointments are one hour and will take place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30-11:30am.

**DAY TRIP — NEWPORT MANSIONS TOUR**  
Rosecliff and Marble House, Thursday, November 30, 2017 — Join us for a day trip to Newport, Rhode Island to see these two beautiful mansions. (Rosecliff will be decorated for the Holiday Season) \$81.00 per person; This day trip includes motor

coach bus transportation, entrance to two mansions and full-time tour escort. Lunch will be on your own at the Blue Plate Diner which offers traditional diner fare in a casual atmosphere with a 1950's vibe. They serve high quality food and everything on the menu is made from scratch. The only thing that comes out of the freezer is their ice cream! No wonder this diner is a local favorite, great food at a great price.  
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**TRAVEL**  
America's Music Cities Tour — 8 days, 11 meals, 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners — Highlights: New Orleans, Memphis, Nashville. Come in or call Diane at the Senior Center for details.

**TUESDAY NIGHT OPEN SEW**  
First & Third Tuesday of the Month in the Fabric Arts Room, 6-9pm, FEE: \$10 per evening. If you are looking for some support to finish a project or you would like to start a project and need

some guidance, the senior center is offering an open sew class. Your own sewing machine is required.

**PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST**  
All participants will be entered into a drawing. There will be one prize awarded in four categories. Bring your creation in October 26-30th. Judging will be on Halloween, Oct 31st! Pumpkins will be displayed in the front entry. Be creative! Use any size, shape or color live pumpkin. Carve, paint, use buttons, ribbons, felt... any craft supplies you can conjure up.

**HEARING CLINIC**  
Wednesday, September 27th, 9:00am  
The Hearing Clinic is available the 4th Wednesday every month. This free service is provided by Rogers Hearing Solutions and consists of hearing screenings, repairs for things that can be fixed on the spot or in their office (not anything that needs to be sent back to the manufacturer), clean and check hearing aids, and provide free

programming if software is available for that particular manufacture. Call to make an appointment 978-640-4480.

**HALLOWEEN DANCE**  
The Friends of the Elderly Halloween Dance will be held on Fri., Oct. 27 at the Senior Center from 7:00 to 10:30pm. Dancing will be to the D & B Orchestra. As always, there will be a costume contest at 7:15pm. Tickets are now available at \$12/person. Tickets are also available at the door.

**GIANT YARD SALE**  
The Friends of the Elderly will hold its last Giant Yard Sale of the year at the Senior Center on Sat., Nov. 4 from 9:00am to 2:00pm (Rain or Shine). Reserve a table space by dropping by the Senior Center. Kay will be taking reservations on Tues-Thurs mornings. Table space cost is \$20/one or \$35/two. The Public is welcome to participate. For further information call Linda at 978-807-6968.  
We are bringing back the Traveling Chef! Thursday, November 2nd at 11:30am. Enjoy a multi-course "Au-

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## Fall Vendor Fair on Nov. 4

**TEWKSBURY** — The Tewksbury/Wilmington Lodge of Elks will host the annual Fall Vendor Fair on Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017 at 10 a.m. at the Tewksbury/Wilmington Lodge of Elks, 777 South St., Tewks-

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# WILMINGTON TEWKSBURY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## Chamber Events

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**Date:** Wednesday, November 8

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@ Align Credit Union

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

@ Pacific Grove Restaurant

**Place:** 211 Lowell St., Wilmington

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Should you need assistance finding local service providers, we are happy to refer you to one of our reliable Chamber members. We encourage you to support our business community and "BUY LOCAL" when possible.

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# OBITUARIES

## Deborah Eileen (Welch) Bartnick

*Enjoyed trips to North Carolina beaches*

Deborah Eileen (Welch) Bartnick, 69, of Effland, NC, passed away on Monday Sept. 18, 2017 at the Alamance Regional Medical Center in Burlington, NC from complications with cancer.

Longtime resident of Wilmington, MA. A native of Wakefield, MA, she was the daughter of the late Phillip and Lois Hogan Welch. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend to many.

She loved to spend time with her grandson who was the joy and light of her eye. She enjoyed trips to the NC

beaches where she loved the ocean air, and would take long walks along the shoreline with her husband.

Deborah is survived by her husband of 49 years, Bruce S. Bartnick, of Effland, NC; daughters, Elizabeth Kelley, of Effland, NC and Laura Connors and husband Kevin, of Wilmington, MA; her loving grandson Patrick Connors, of Wilmington, MA; sister, Tina Curless and husband Rick, of Saco, ME and Marilyn (Pixie) Scharn and husband Harry, of Lawrence, MA; brothers, Doug Welch and wife Karen of Melrose, MA and Buddy

Welch and wife Jett, of Millbury, MA; aunt Marion Bralley-Freeman of Burlington, MA, aunt Barbara Hogan of Cedar Key, FL as well as her cousins Betty Jane Plantamura of Barrington, NH and Edward Welch of Titusville, FL and many loving nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society in Deborah Bartnick's memory.

A Memorial Service will be held on Oct. 28, 2017 at 11 a.m., at the United Church of Christ Congregational, 6 Lexington St., Burlington, MA 01803.

## Neil G. Wetzler

*Enjoyed leading inline skating tours*

We celebrate the life and mourn the loss of Neil G. Wetzler, 55, of Waltham, MA (formerly of Wilmington MA). He died peacefully at his home on Tuesday, Oct. 10, 2017 after a courageous battle with cancer.

Neil was surrounded by family and friends as he completed his journey to the light. Upon Neil's passing, a dear friend of Neil's, Reverend Bob Butler (formerly of Wilmington) gathered with family and friends to offer a time of reflection, consolation and prayer.

Neil's love of family and friends was reflected in his intense loyalty, generosity, kindness, and dependability. He was always there when you needed him and most of his time in life was spent giving to others.

Neil was a businessman, but in his free time he enjoyed leading inline skating tours in American cities, reading, watching movies, collecting historical and unique artifacts, cooking wonderful meals, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Neil was loved by many and those who knew him would describe him as "one of a kind." Neil was a loving and caring son, brother, uncle, partner and friend.

Neil lived in Italy for an extended period of time where he learned to speak the language and immersed himself in the history of the country. Over the past 30

years, Neil made biannual trips to Annagh, Gort. Co. Galway, Ireland, the birth place of his mother. There he spent several months a year with his beloved uncle Frank Walsh and his beloved aunt Sheila Fitzgerald, in addition to time with his cousins. This time was precious to him and he was loved and cherished by many in Ireland.

Neil is survived by his life partner of 13 years, Kirsten Tolley of Waltham, MA, his parents, Richard and Philomena Wetzler of Wilmington, MA, his sister, Valerie Mazzola and her husband Stephen Mazzola of Londonderry, NH, his brother Brian Wetzler and his wife Elizabeth Wetzler of West Point, NY, his nephews, Brian, Marc, and Eric Mazzola of Londonderry, NH and Carson Wetzler of West Point, NY.

His nieces, Kaela Mazzola of Charleston, SC and Sydney Wetzler of West Point NY, in addition to his beloved cousins, aunt, uncle and dear friends.

We want to extend our "profound" thanks to all those who participated in "Neil's Care Team." During Neil's last few weeks with us, so many of you showed your true love for Neil and our family. Thanks to all those who spent nights and days with us as we provided 24 hour care to Neil in his home. You all graciously gave up time with your own



families to help us make sure Neil was comfortable and his journey was peaceful.

Thank you to all of those who brought us much needed home cooked meals, coffee and donuts in the morning, did laundry for us, took time off work, ran errands, visited and called frequently, sat and spoke to Neil when he could no longer speak, and helped us lift him when we needed extra muscle.

Through all the exhaustion and tears, those of you on his team never let him down. We are forever grateful for your kindness through this very difficult time.

As per Neil's wishes, there will be no public services. Following cremation, there will be a private celebration of his life. If you would like to honor his memory with a gift, we will be setting up a scholarship fund in his name at Hillsdale College, 33 East College St., Hillsdale, MI 49242. You can send a check or donate through their website. Please refer to his name when sending your donation.

## Irene M. Flores

*Loved to cook, clean and garden*

Irene M. (Branco) Flores, age 87, a long-time resident of Wilmington, died peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family on Oct. 24, 2017.

Irene was born on June 4, 1930, in Cambridge, MA; she was the dear daughter of the late Jesse and Maria Branco. Irene was raised and educated in Cambridge and a graduate of Cambridge High School.

Irene married the "love of her life" Gabriel Flores on Sept. 5, 1948; the couple lived in Cambridge for several years before moving to Wilmington more than 58 years ago. Irene and Gabriel raised four wonderful children: Bob, Barbara, Gene, and Nancy.

She was a very devoted and loving mother and a wonderful homemaker. Irene was an amazing cook and loved to clean; her home was immaculate inside and out. She took pride in her yard and was an expert gardener who loved her flowers.

Irene made holidays special for her family; she really enjoyed getting ready for Christmas but Thanksgiving was her favorite holiday.

Irene made the holidays such memorable times for her family.

Irene will be fondly remembered as a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother; she cherished her time spent with her family and she always showered them with unconditional love and support. Irene beamed with pride as she spoke of her grandchildren; there wasn't anything she wouldn't do for them.

Irene was a beautiful lady inside and out; she was always willing to do for others and she will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Irene was the beloved wife of Gabriel R. Flores, devoted mother of Robert Flores & wife Judy of Haverhill, Barbara Ciaramella & husband Peter of Tewksbury, Gene Flores & wife Christine and Nancy Turner & husband David all of Wilmington.

Loving grandmother of Becci & Jon O'Sullivan, Scott & Sarah Flores, Nick & Brittany Ciaramella, Stefanie & Gary Haywood, Michael & Tyler Flores, Jesse Turner & girlfriend Kelly, Dylan Tur-

ner & girlfriend Harley and great-grandchildren Maeva & Finn O'Sullivan, Scotty & Kinley Flores and Hunter Haywood.

Cherished daughter of the late Jesse and Maria (Mello) Branco, dear sister of the late Manuel Branco, Jesse Branco, Alice Walker and Maria Maucere. Irene was the special aunt of Donna, Don, Janet and Toni as well as many nieces and nephews.

Family & friends will gather at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Saturday, Oct. 28 followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington at 10 a.m. Interment will follow in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting Hours will be held at the Funeral Home on Friday, Oct. 27 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Memorial donations in Irene's memory may be made to VNA of Middlesex East, 607 North Avenue, Suite 17, Wakefield, MA 01880.

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## Christopher D. Lane

*Very passionate about Special Olympics*

Christopher D. Lane, age 38, of Somerville, formerly a long-time resident of Andover, passed away unexpectedly on Oct. 22, 2017. Born in Stoneham, MA, on Aug. 5, 1979, Christopher was the beloved son of Marilyn and Charles Lane.

Chris was raised and educated in Andover and was a graduate of Andover High School with the Class of 1998. Chris loved sports and played basketball throughout his life; he was also an AVID Patriots and Red Sox fan throughout his life and a faithful season ticket holder.

Following high school, Christopher furthered his education at University of Massachusetts Lowell Campus in Lowell where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business and then he went on to receive his CPA license. Chris worked as a CPA for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for many years.

Chris was a happy go lucky person who enjoyed hanging out with family and friends; making sure that everyone always had a good time. Chris had a special fondness for animals and would spend time at animal rescue facilities. He was also very passionate about children's causes such as Special Olympics;

he had such a big heart when it came to kids.

Chris will be fondly remembered for his expertise at putting together difficult puzzles or master lego sets. Chris was a very kind and gentle person who loved his family and friends unconditionally; he will forever be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Christopher was the cherished son of Marilyn (Boudreau) Lane of Salem, NH, formerly of Wilmington, MA and Andover, MA and Charles "Chuck" Lane of Andover, MA.

He was the beloved brother of Jennifer Karman & her husband Jozsef of Foxboro, MA and Thomas Lane Moon of Andover, MA. Chris was the loving Uncle of Jacob & Jonas Karman. He was the dear nephew of Anne Lane of Medford, MA, Fran Lusardi of Weare, NH, Beverly Smith of Salem, NH, Lorraine Hallisey of Dennis, MA, Virginia & Thomas Mirisola of Yarmouth, MA, Cynthia Boudreau of Granby, CT, the late Raymond Boudreau, Joseph Boudreau and Russell Smith.

Chris is also survived by many cousins and friends.

Family and friends gathered at the Nichols Funeral



Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62), Wilmington, on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 10 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington at 11 a.m. Interment Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. Visiting Hours were held at the Funeral Home on Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 4 - 8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers donations in Christopher's memory may be made to the Special Olympics Massachusetts, 512 Forest Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 or to MSPCA-Angell, 350 South Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130.

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## Library libations



▲ Tewksbury Public Library Trustee Nancy Baumel and volunteer Michelle Shainkosh with One Stop owners Mary and Joe Silva. (photos: BruceHilliard.com)



◀ Tewksbury Public Library patrons and trustees gather at One Stop Liquors (Oakdale Plaza) for a wine tasting and raffle benefit Saturday afternoon. In photo: Maryann O'Brien, Nichols, Bridget Garabedian, Heather Stokes, Tracy Zimmerman, Lori Carriere and Paige Impink.



# Lifestyle

## Enjoying Lowell's RIVERWALK

By PAIGE IMPINK  
News Correspondent  
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The mighty Merrimack River roars through Lowell over rocks, creating swirling eddies, moving huge tree branches and providing habitat for all types of creatures. The river, along with an extensive canal system, is what brought the Mill City to industrial prominence in the 1800s.

Fast forward to modern times where the city sought to restore old buildings and bring new growth to the downtown. It embarked on a project to capitalize on the Merrimack, developing a Riverwalk. The 2+ mile "out and back" route runs from UMass Lowell to the Boot Mills at John Street.

Completed in 1998, the Riverwalk is part of a larger 30-year plan to create access and walkways to all of Lowell's waterways and cost \$4.3 million.

Anxious to enjoy this recent stretch of fine weather, our family headed out on foot and by bicycle to check it out. We parked near the UMass Lowell East Campus Fox Hall towers, right along the road. The paved path was easy to find, just to the left of the Leitch Hall residence building.

As we began, we noted a gathering of people, part of Hawk Watch, a birding group focused on the peregrine falcons which nest in a box at the top of the towers. You can see the Hawk Cam at <https://www.uml.edu/Brightcove/falcon2.html> or via YouTube search of UML Falcon Cam.

According to Lowell's Transportation Program Director Christopher Hayes, "materials and details were chosen to compliment Lowell's industrial heritage, to meet the standards of the Downtown Lowell Historic District and the National Park System, and to stand up to the periodic flood-

ing of the Merrimack River" when asked about the development of the walkway.

"The City and the Park partnered again in 2010 for a significant refresh and repair with funding from the Federal Highway Administration."

Enhancements, such as interpretive sign boards and plaques dot the Riverwalk. The path is paved and wide, accessible to all, and it offers junctions to the main roads at various points.

The city was hopping on the night we walked — a large UML alumni event was in one of the parks, a neon 5K charitable fun run was setting up, and a crowd was at the Tsongas arena for a big hockey game. Needless to say, Lowell is a happenin' place.

And, according to the City of Lowell website, an extension project is planned.

"The City of Lowell through the National Park Service has received significant funding to extend the downtown Riverwalk from its current

end at Boot Mills under the Cox Bridge, and around the Massachusetts Mills complex, to a new pedestrian bridge over the Concord River by the Lowell Memorial Auditorium, where it would then link up with the Concord River Greenway. This project is in the design phase."

As we made our way along the gangways, it was impressive to see the improvements the mill buildings had undergone. Stylish residences with river views, parkways and gas lanterns, benches and even preserved machinery all made for an interesting and safe feeling stroll. People were out everywhere enjoying the walk, coaxing children on bikes with training wheels, or engaging with their phones on the benches, or jogging.

The route took us behind LeLachur Park, home to the Lowell Spinners, where a fun event was getting underway. In fact, the street scene was so alive that we chose to work our way back to the car via the main streets, encour-

tering folks we knew who were attending the various events.

Just one block over on Merrimack Street, loads of eateries were open offering a variety of fare for both indoor and outdoor dining. So, on the next afternoon when you are itching to get out and stretch your legs, head over to the Lowell Riverwalk and investigate the history and beauty of our neighboring city.



▲ A view of the Merrimack River from the Lowell Riverwalk (Paige Impink photos)

▼ The spillway from the Western Canal along the Lowell Riverwalk. The Merrimack's elevation drop created the perfect conditions for water powered mills.



The "out and back" trail is scored concrete, with occasional sections cantilevered over the river with southern yellow pine. Sections for sitting are carved out and gas lights compliment the renovated mill residences.



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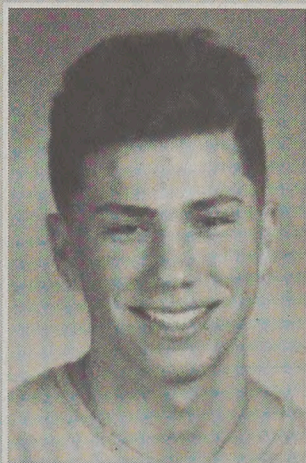
### Boschetti engineers himself straight A's

By MATT FRONDUTO

Rather than exploring the day to day life of a high school senior, this week we will be exploring the world of TMHS junior Chad Boschetti. However, it must be noted that Boschetti is as mature academically, socially, and athletically as any given senior.

A multiple-sport athlete, near straight-A student, and participant in a pair of AP classes, Boschetti clearly has set his sights high, and there seems to be no slowing down the 6-foot tall man now.

Though he does not take part in a fall sport, he spends much of his time training for the winter and spring seasons, while also working at Market Basket to keep his bank account satisfied. Despite finding great amounts of success in his first two years of high school playing basketball in the winter and baseball in the spring, Chad has begun to consider utilizing his incredible short distance speed to run track this winter season. While his speed would make him a surefire success during track and field season, Boschetti's true passion has always been with Am-



erica's National Pastime, springtime baseball.

However, when he's not working to improve himself on the court, track, or diamond, one can find Boschetti studiously reviewing notes, crunching numbers, and writing papers with great care in the classroom.

Boschetti has achieved the unbelievable feat of maintaining a nearly straight-A record all throughout his high school career, and better yet, he has done so while taking extremely difficult classes. Outside of his electives, Chad has never taken a class worth fewer credits than an honors level class, or in other words, he has only taken classes which are at least as challenging

as an honors level class.

This year is no different, as both AP US History and AP Chemistry find themselves as parts of Boschetti's schedule for his junior year, accompanied by several more Honors-level classes.

While many students have struggled at the merciless hands of AP classes, they do not seem nearly as painstaking when the student is genuinely passionate about the class he/she is taking. As someone who has an interest in engineering, a very precise field, Boschetti puts great care and effort into his class work, and it shines through on his report card.

In addition to being far more hardworking than your average, everyday high school junior, he also stands out as one of the most honest and kind people in the entire school. However, Boschetti would never tell you this himself, as his innate ability to be humble and restrain from showing off is yet another incredible character trait that he could flaunt. But then again, you would never hear him brag about that, either.

### STUDENT PROFILES

### Nicolas has grades and attitude to succeed

By TROY ACCONCIA

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have it all going for you: an incredible resume, fantastic grades, and a persistent attitude? With qualities like these and more, TMHS senior Melissa Nicolas is the epitome of an exemplary student.

While others struggle with high school, trying to keep up with the fast-paced curriculum, Melissa remains strong. She has continued to achieve honors student status even when taking extremely difficult courses.

The term AP (Advanced Placement) may scare most away, but not Melissa. Nicolas has taken an astounding five AP classes! This includes AP Psychology, AP U.S. History, AP Statistics, AP Government, and AP English. Melissa's academics may be impressive, but her extracurricular life is also nothing to laugh at.

Nicolas has been a huge part of TMHS, participating in a variety of different clubs. Organizations such as SADD Club, class council, mock trial, and the prestigious National Honor Society have been fortunate



enough to call Melissa one of their own.

Melissa loves giving back, volunteering in multiple ways such as helping out at the library, the food pantry, Apple Fest, and the fall harvest festivals.

Melissa has also received some valuable work experience from working at bouncy house emporium, Jump On In, for two years.

With a well-rounded four years of high school under her belt, Melissa has some fantastic college aspirations. Universities such as Bryant University, Boston College, and Endicott College will be lucky to have Melissa Nicolas in attendance for marketing management.

With senior year quickly going by, Melissa knows that she wants to do whatever she can to make this year one to remember.

Nicolas said, "I want senior year to be a great year that I spend with the people and friends I grew up with. I love my friends so much and although I'm so excited to start a new chapter in my life, I'm also excited to spend this last year of high school with my best friends."

It is clear that Melissa is a loyal, friendship-oriented type of girl who knows that friendship is what leads you in life and paves the way to success. That's why, when her schedule isn't packed with all her clubs and volunteering, Melissa can be found in the bleachers of many TMHS sports games, cheering for her fellow Redmen.

Melissa Nicolas is truly one-of-a-kind. Yes, other kids do well in school and are even in many clubs, too, but there is one distinctive aspect that sets Melissa apart from the rest. And that is her amount passion for anything that she does.

When Nicolas sets her mind to something, you can be pretty confident that she will accomplish her goal... and then do a little bit more. This is what will carry Melissa far in life, going the extra mile for the things she cares about and the people she loves.





## Tewksbury Police Log

### Armed robbery at Mobil Stadium; state police called

Monday, October 16

4:46 a.m. - Caller at Mobil Stadium reported the gas station was robbed. The male party showed a firearm, wearing a black jacket with a hood. He was carrying a black bag. State Police Department was on the scene and filed a report.

10:48 a.m. - A woman called the station from New York stating she stayed at the Motel 6 this weekend and had some of her items stolen out of her suitcase. Police filed a report.

12:48 p.m. - Police out for a motor vehicle at Ruskin Road and Linden Avenue. John Sullivan, 30, of 22 Ruskin Road in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with license suspended and possession of class A drugs. Ashley Gorman, 26, of 23 Randolph Dr. in Tewksbury, was arrested and charged with possession of class A drugs.

9:47 p.m. - There was someone up on the caller's porch at Foster Road. He couldn't see anyone as he is in a wheelchair, but heard noises. Police sent and reported the K-9 did not track anything; they were all clear.

Tuesday, October 17

9:06 a.m. - A possible overdose occurred in a vehicle at McDonald's North. All units returned after sending out. Police filed a report.

11:14 a.m. - Police were in Boston Road town on an incident follow up. Peter Delpapa, 48, of 0 Brandon St. in Billerica, was arrested and charged with armed robbery and carry without license firearm.

4:37 p.m. - Two males walked at Chapman Road and Whipple Road with rubber gloves on which are in the area of a housebreak in Billerica. Police sent and the police spoke to the kids; they were picking up cans on the side of the road.

Wednesday, October 18

11:23 a.m. - Received a 911 call from the elevator at Tewksbury Memorial High School. Police sent. The police checked on the area and reported the elevator was out of order at this time for repairs.

1:40 p.m. - The front desk of Extended Stay America reported that a female guest reported a male party in the parking lot making her feel uncomfortable. Police sent and filed a report.

9:48 p.m. - Approximately 12 teenagers whom the employee from Dollar Tree believed to be intoxicated have recently trashed the store and loitered in the parking lot. Their car was parked and they were on foot. The employee was closing the store and did not want to speak with an officer or

leave any of her information.

10:43 p.m. - The security guard heard footsteps at Atamian Volkswagan. He was requesting an officer to respond. The police reported they checked the lot and everything appeared secure.

Thursday, October 19

2:13 a.m. - Front desk at Motel 6 reported a large party in the area of room 227. A group of people were running and falling down the stairs. Justin Foote, 23, of 167 West Sixth St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for disorderly, a warrant for assault and battery on a police officer, a warrant for unlicensed operation, and disorderly conduct.

6:09 p.m. - A male party in a white Subaru loitered in a parking lot of Clark Road Office Building. Thus was an ongoing issue and he has been asked not to return. The male was sitting outside currently using wifi from the building. The male was spoken to and understands he can no longer loiter in the lot.

10:08 p.m. - Manager at Wamesit Lanes reported a verbal argument at the bar. The parties involved left for the night. Officer filed a report.

Friday, October 20

10:02 a.m. - Police out at Motel 6 to attempt to serve a warrant. Milton Montalvo,

46, of 209 Summer St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with a warrant for shoplifting.

4:34 p.m. - A motor vehicle and another vehicle were at Woodcrest Drive and Maple Road possibly to make a drug deal. When they saw the parents come out with the children, they left. Information was forwarded to the Drug Unit.

9:50 p.m. - A 911 caller reported a female party exited the Wamesit Lanes appearing to be intoxicated getting into her car, driving erratically. Police notified. The vehicle continued on into Lowell. Lowell Police Department notified.

Saturday, October 21

12:28 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Wal-Mart for defective equipment. Maximilian Pelletz, 21, of 14 Maple St. in Nashua, New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with a warrant for negligent operation of motor vehicle, a warrant for assault and battery, and possession class B drugs. Zachary Varga, 26, of 14 Maple St. in Nashua New Hampshire, was arrested and charged with possession class E drugs.

5:45 p.m. - The pharmacist from the CVS North reported they just received a false prescription for Oxycodone from a male party. The party did not return to get the prescription. Police filed



### Girl on a mission

Shopping for books at the Wilmington Public Library recently is three-year old Emma Tierney.  
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a report.

Sunday, October 22

6:26 p.m. - Male caller reported an erratic driver in

a red camary at Shawshen Street and Wayside Road was last seen turning onto Wayside Road. Police sent and they checked along with the areas but gone on arrival.

could not find it.

10:41 p.m. - Two females in a Subaru Forester struck a parked Hyundai Elantra and damaged a blind driveway on Shady Lane Drive. Police performed a field sobriety test on the driver, which she passed; the female was then cited for speeds greater than reasonable. The females' mother picked them up after the car was towed.

Thursday, October 19:

8:43 a.m. - A motor vehicle collision occurred at the

intersection of Route 125 and Ballardvale Street involving a Ford Focus and a Ford Explorer. One of the drivers was injured in the collision. The other was taken to 200 Ballardvale Street by police.

2:04 p.m. - A trash truck did very minor damage to the fence and mailbox post of a North Street home.

5:38 p.m. - Police moved wires down by the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Adams Street that were causing an obstruction.

Friday, October 20:

3:33 p.m. - The Fire Department moved a wire that was causing an obstruction on Oakdale Street.

5:57 p.m. - A Dodge Ram was struck by a BMW Z3 while parked on Main Street. The owner was working at the time and the driver of the BMW told him that they did not know they had hit the Dodge.

7:04 p.m. - A minor motor vehicle collision involving a Ford Focus and a Jeep Wrangler occurred on Lowell Street. No one was injured and the damage to the cars was minor.

Saturday, October 21:

8:18 a.m. - Smoking mulch was reported by Citizen Bank on Main Street.

12:54 p.m. - A Hyundai Tucson was struck and damaged on Marion Street on its driver side and rear fender. The damage may have been caused by a Light'n Leisure truck that left the scene.

Sunday, October 22:

11 a.m. - Wilmington Police received a report from a State Trooper that a truck had brought branches down on Andover Street as it drove. The Trooper moved the branches out of the roadway and left the rest to the Department of Public Works, although the Trooper could not provide the branches' specific location. While checking for the branches, Wilmington Police were able to clear them from the driveway they had been placed in. The Department of Public Works did not have to be notified.



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### Truck brought down branches on Andover Street

Monday, October 16:

2:28 p.m. - An unlocked Chevrolet Impala was entered while parked overnight on Evans Drive. Nothing appeared to be stolen, but the glove box and console appeared to have been looked through.

4:32 p.m. - A manager at the Salvation Army location on Main Street found two dirt bikes missing from a locked trailer in a locked part of the store. The dirt bikes were stolen sometime the previous week between Monday and Thursday.

Tuesday, October 17:

1:04 p.m. - Animal Control was notified of an injured pigeon in the road on Nichols Street.

8:20 p.m. - Two student vehicles, a Lexus IS 300 and an Acura Integra, were involved in a collision in the high school's parking lot. One of the students was

cited for leaving the scene of property damage.

Wednesday, October 18:

7:59 p.m. - A Subaru Impreza struck a deer on Fordham Road. The driver was not injured. Police searched for the deer with an infrared camera, but

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## Smith honored as Ocean State Job Lot 2017 'Food Ambassador'

NORTH KINGSTOWN, RI — A local resident who is an employee of Ocean State Job Lot has been named as a 2017 "Three Square Meals" Food Ambassador by the Ocean State Job Lot Charitable Foundation.

Brandon Smith of Tewksbury, who works at the Tewksbury store, was selected for this year's recognition based on an enthusiasm that exudes the spirit and nature of the "Three Square Meals" family meal assistance charitable program and its community mindedness.

"For the past 14 years, Ocean State Job Lot's Three Square Meals program has been helping to keep food banks stocked with truckloads of donations of nutritious, shelf-stable food," states David Sarlitto, executive director of the Ocean State Job Lot Charitable Foundation. "Many of our associates play an important role in the success of this

program, and our Food Ambassador program allows us to acknowledge and recognize their personal contributions and actions that inspire others."

Regional, district and store managers across New England, New York, and New Jersey nominated one associate from each of the 127 Ocean State Job Lot stores plus one employee at corporate headquarters who went above and beyond in helping to increase in-store donations, volunteering, or supporting their local food bank or food pantry in some way.

As part of the 2017 "Three Square Meals" truck convoy event held recently at Ocean State Job Lot's headquarters in Rhode Island, each Food Ambassador was recognized with their name, photo and store location on a series of posters which now hang in the headquarters' lobby. Each received a personalized letter of congratulations and gift

card from Ocean State Job Lot President and Co-Founder Alan Perlman, who established the "Three Square Meals" program years ago.

Now in the 40th year of its founding in 1977, Ocean State Job Lot is a growing, privately held retail chain with 127 stores in New England, New York, and New Jersey, approximately 5,000 employees, and annual sales approaching \$700 million.

Job Lot sells brand name, first quality merchandise at closeout prices. Shoppers find an ever-changing array of household goods, apparel, pet supplies, seasonal products (holiday, gardening, patio, pool and beach supply), and kitchen pantry staples at a fraction of their typical price.

The company was named by Forbes Magazine as a "Top Midsize Employer" in the country. The Ocean State Job Lot Charitable Foundation has a long history of



▲ BRANDON SMITH

(Courtesy photo)

philanthropic leadership, placing emphasis on local food banks in communities where Job Lot operates stores.

The Foundation also supports medical and literacy initiatives, disaster relief efforts, the performing arts, military service men and women, and special needs and foster children.

Ocean State Job Lot is headquartered at 375 Commerce Park Road in the Quonset Point Business Park, North Kingstown, RI 02852. Phone: (401) 295-2672; Web: <http://www.oceanstate-joblot.com>

## Neville named to MassAccess Board of Directors

WILMINGTON — Wilmington Community Television Executive Director Shaun Neville has been named to the Board of Directors of MassAccess, which serves as the primary advocacy group for community media centers in Massachusetts.

"It's an honor to be chosen to join this board," said Neville. "WCTV shares a lot of the same values as other media centers from across the state. MassAccess is leading the charge for things like high-definition television channels and inclusion in the on-screen program guide. It's also helping guide stations as they deal with changing television habits and uncertain long-term financial futures."

"As we enter into an unknown landscape of television viewing, MassAccess is fighting to keep community media centers relevant and financially solvent," said Melinda Garfield, President of MassAccess and Executive Director of Westwood Media Center. "The natural addition of Shaun Neville to the board helps to

accomplish more goals, which in turn, helps us to better serve our membership."

Neville said he hopes his membership on the board will not only help MassAccess, but also WCTV. His presence should give him insight into how other community media centers are adapting. MassAccess members include more than 100 stations. It is governed by a volunteer board, consisting mainly of station executive directors and general managers.

Neville was hired to lead WCTV in 2015. The station's TV channels can be found on Comcast (9, 22 and 99) and Verizon (37, 38 and 39). The channels also stream online, and most videos are available on-demand, at [WCTV.org](http://WCTV.org).

Membership at WCTV is free for Wilmington residents. State-of-the-art video equipment and training is available to create content for the community. Learn more at [WCTV.org](http://WCTV.org) or call 978-657-4066.

Any questions about this release can be directed to Shaun Neville at [sneville@wctv.org](mailto:sneville@wctv.org) or 978-657-4066.



(Courtesy photo)

## 'Under Construction' to sing at Congregational Church

TEWKSBURY — Harvard's premier Christian a cappella group "Under Construction," will return to Tewksbury Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, on Sunday, Oct. 29 to sing during the morning worship service at 9:30 a.m.

The underclassmen sing with tight harmonies, beautiful blended voices, and wide-selection of pieces from classical, traditional, contemporary and global traditions.

They have sung for Harvard, Boston, New York, Washington D.C., California, China, Korea, Taiwan, Texas, and Barbados.

As their website says, "Our name, Under Construction, is inspired by Philippians 1:6 — 'the One who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of

Christ Jesus.' As the verse describes, we believe that no matter how far we get through our achievements, successes, big bucks, relationships, ambitions, etc., we are constantly under construction by God's grace through learning more about and having a relationship with Christ."

All are welcome for a time of inspiration and joy!

For more information call Tewksbury Congregational Church at: 781-851-9411 or email them at [secretary.tewksburycc@verizon.net](mailto:secretary.tewksburycc@verizon.net).

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TEWKSBURY — Attention veterans, spouses and surviving spouses! Please join the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks for a FREE light breakfast on Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. at the Tewksbury-Wilmington Elks

Lodge, 777 South St. Please call Lisa Downey, Veterans Service Officer at 978-640-4485, Nicole Hutchison, Community Outreach Coordinator at 978-640-4480 in advance to reserve a seat as spaces are limited!

If you need transportation to and from the Elks, please call the Senior Center Transportation Line at 978-640-4480 ext. 292 and leave a message. Someone will call you back to setup your ride.

## Author fair at library

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Public Library is putting the spotlight on local authors with its first annual Tewksbury Book Festival on Saturday, Nov. 4, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This Fall Author Fair will feature a diverse collection of Tewksbury and Wilmington writers. Stop by the library's Meeting Room anytime during this three-hour event to meet local authors, learn about their books, enjoy complimentary donuts (10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.), pizza (11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.) and drinks, and enter to win free raffles. Admission is FREE and open to all.

Participating authors include:

- Steve Bjork (Wilmington), former editor of the Wilmington/Tewksbury Town Crier and author of *Almost Domesticated: A Comedian's Collection of Short Stories and Essays*.

- Valerie Borgal (Tewksbury), artist and author of the cookbook *Jeanne's Favorite Recipes*

- Bob Briggs (Tewksbury),

author of the children's books *Grateful Bob: The Beginning* and *Grateful Bob: Tommy Defeats The Dragon*

- Dan Graffeo (Tewksbury), author of the teen series *Haloween Night Fever*, the horror novel *The Gambling Bug*, and a forthcoming book about the Hugh & Ruth Mahoney family of Tewksbury

- Renee Mulhane (Tewksbury), member of the New England Horror Writers, author of *The Wings at His Window*, and contributor to many anthologies, including *Wicked Haunted*

- Dave Riese (Wilmington), author of short-story collection *The Blue Dress* and the award-winning historical romance *Echo from Mount Royal*

- Mark Ryan (Wilmington), author of the short story collection *Adventures of the Romeo Gang* and the short story *Escape North*

- Please note that two additional local authors will likely be announced prior to the event.

While there's no obligation to purchase, each author

will be selling and signing copies of their work. This is a great opportunity to get some holiday shopping done for the book lovers in your life while supporting the local writing scene.

Less than two weeks after the Book Festival, the library will debut its local author collection on Monday, Nov. 13. This small (but growing) collection will feature books written exclusively by authors who live, or have lived, in Tewksbury. In addition to authors featured at the Fair, the collection will include books written by Miles Coverdale, Jeffrey Frost, world renowned sculptor Mico Kaufman, Cathy Marci, Rose Titus, Jean Trounstone, and Joe Votano.

If you know of any Tewksbury authors who are not listed above, please contact librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x 205 or [rhayes@tewksburypl.org](mailto:rhayes@tewksburypl.org) so their work can be added to the library's local author collection and they can be invited to next year's Tewksbury Book Festival.



## Chamber Corner

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### Upcoming Chamber of Commerce Events:

#### Align Credit Union Ribbon Cutting & Business After-Hours

Date: Wednesday, November 8  
Time: 5:15 pm Ribbon Cutting @ Align Credit Union  
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm @ Pacific Grove Restaurant  
Place: 211 Lowell St., Wilmington

Please contact the Chamber for additional event details.



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## Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

### Healthy Holiday Baking on Thursday, Nov. 2

**Upcoming Events**  
Registration begins 30 days prior to the event. Please register online using our Calendar of Events at [www.wilmlibrary.org](http://www.wilmlibrary.org) or by calling (978) 694-2099 (for Adult) or (978) 694-2098 (for Children/Teen). Please note we request registration for programs that are marked \*RR. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for funding many of the following programs.

Intro to Social Media  
\*RR

Wednesday, November 1, 7 pm  
Have you ever wondered why people keep referring to hashtags? Technology Librarian, Brad McKenna, will introduce you to the world of Social Media and demo how the library uses Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, and Twitter.

**Healthy & Allergen Free Holiday Baking \*RR**  
Thursday, November 2, 7 pm  
Do food allergies or dietary restrictions prevent your family members from enjoy-

ing the sweets they crave? Would you like to know how to adapt your favorite baked recipes to accommodate almost any food need you and your family have? Learn the "secrets" to substituting ingredients in recipes to create desserts which not only are healthier for you but delicious tasting, too. Paula Castner brings her expertise in a workshop format, including desserts for sampling and handouts to bring home.

Pints + Pages Book

**Group \*RR**  
Thursday, November 2, 7 pm  
Featured book: Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman  
Location: Café Nero, Reading  
A social book group geared towards readers in their 20s and 30s meets on the first Thursday of every other month hosted by librarians from the Wilmington and Reading Public Libraries. Meeting location rotates between Wilmington and Reading — check library website for location.

**Fiction Critique Group \*RR**  
Saturday, November 4, 9:15 am  
Love writing fiction? Whether you are drafting a short story or a novel, joining our Critique Group is a great opportunity to meet other writers and get constructive feedback in a supportive environment. When register-

ing, please provide your email address so you can receive an agenda and any prep materials before the meeting. Open to all experience levels writing in all genres. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

**The Festive Table \*RR**  
Saturday, November 4, 2:30 pm  
Register at the main desk starting (cost \$5, limit 20)  
Learn to combine fruits, vegetables and nuts with locally harvested greens and berries to decorate your home and table for Thanksgiving and the winter holidays. Betsy will share ideas and techniques for seasonal centerpieces, guest favors and door decorations, and she will demonstrate how to create a fresh winter potpourri. Attendees will each make an apple candle to use on their holiday table.

**The Upside of Downsizing \*RR**  
Monday, November 6, 2:30 pm  
Greg Pavao of Mini Moves and Helene Vecchione, founder of More Than a Move present the Upside of Downsizing including tips on how to de-clutter and de-stress, moving tips from the pros, and how to plan and organize a move to a senior living community.

**Cookin' the Books \*RR**  
Tuesday, November 7, 12 pm  
Featured Cookbook: A New Way to Dinner by Amanda Hesser  
If you love to cook and enjoy talking about food and sharing recipes then this group is for you. Pick up a copy of the cookbook (or find a recipe from the book online); register and select your recipe on the events calendar at [wilmlibrary.org](http://wilmlibrary.org).

Bring your dish to the meeting and enjoy.

#### Kids & Teen Events

**Humans v. Zombies \*RR**  
Friday, October 27, 6:30-8 pm  
The super popular, internationally epic game of tag comes to Wilmington as a library-friendly version played after hours. BYO foam dart blasters. Socks and bandanas provided. Grades 4-8.

**Halloween Party \*RR**  
Monday, October 30, 10 am  
Come dressed in your Halloween costume. Play some games and make a spooky craft. Ages 3+

**Thanksgiving Scavenger Hunt \*RR**  
Wednesday, November 1-23  
Turkeys are hiding all over the children's room! Find all nine turkeys to decode the secret message and win a prize! All ages

#### Kindergarten Book Club \*RR

Wednesday, November 1, 3:45  
This book club is for Kindergarteners who miss storytime or those who love to be read to. We will read and discuss a few books together, then do a fun activity.

#### Library News

**Needleworkers Raffle**  
The library's Needleworkers group that meets at the library on Friday morning has donated a variety of lovely items for a raffle with proceeds all going to the Friends of the Library. Tickets are 10 for \$5. Select your favorite item and drop your ticket into the bucket. Winners will be drawn on November 17. Great gifts for the holidays!

## Warren participating in study abroad program

BEVERLY — Endicott College announces that Julia Warren, daughter of Robert Warren and Karen Warren of Wilmington, is currently spending this fall 2017 semester studying abroad. Julia is majoring in History and is studying at The Umbra Institute this semester. Students may elect to satisfy their degree requirement at overseas colleges and universities where Endicott has

collaborative relationships. While abroad, students take courses that count toward their Endicott degrees. About Endicott College Located in Beverly, Massachusetts on 235 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers doctorate, master's and bachelor degree programs in the professional and liberal arts. For more information, visit [www.endicott.edu](http://www.endicott.edu).

## Babcock makes Dean's List at Labouré College

MILTON — Chelsie Babcock of Wilmington was on the Dean's List at Labouré College for Summer 2017.

At Labouré College, they offer nursing and healthcare career programs designed to suit a traditional full-time student or a part-time adult returning to school to change their career.

The majority of their students are adults, returning to school to begin a career they are passionate about. Many are juggling courses with work and family commitments. The dedication and perseverance their students exhibit in their studies, mirrors the commitment that they bring to their future healthcare careers.

As a Catholic college, their mission is to provide opportunities to a diverse population of students to continue their education as mature

adults and responsible world citizens. Their dedicated faculty, small class sizes, and innovative curriculum provide students from all backgrounds the opportunity to learn and grow in the healthcare industry.

Labouré's campus in Milton has been specially designed to enhance the lives of working students. The One-Stop Student Services Center houses financial aid, advising, student accounts, the registrar, and transcript request all in one convenient place.

The Center for Student Success and Teaching Excellence provides students with academic advising, academic coaching, tutoring, and basic skill strengthening. The Center also offers specialized assistance to students with learning differences and support in finding a career.

## Stenson a member of Loyola University Maryland

BALTIMORE, MD — Scott Stenson, from Wilmington, is now a member of the class of 2021 at Loyola University Maryland.

As first-year students embark on their college experience, they will all take part in Loyola's living learning program, Messina. The common text for Messina is Just Mercy, by Bryan Stevenson. The book, a compelling first-hand account of a lawyer who defends the poor and wrongly

condemned, speaks to the inequality in the justice system.

Established in 1862, Loyola University Maryland is a Catholic, Jesuit comprehensive university comprising Loyola College, home to the University's arts and sciences programs; the Selinger School of Business and Management; and the School of Education. Loyola enrolls 4,000 undergraduate and 2,000 graduate students from across the country.

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## Kiwanis Club helping Puerto Rico

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Kiwanis Club is asking the community for help for the citizens of Puerto Rico on Nov. 11.

Much has been accomplished in restoring Puerto Rico, but very much more needs to be done. Puerto Rico has some power back on, but not in a very large portion of the island.

Drinking water is not restored. Stores are not open. Banks are not open.

The Kiwanis Club of Wilmington will be collecting diapers and much needed items on Saturday, Nov. 11 at the West Real Estate office, 386 Main St., next to Bank of America (rear of the building).

### Items needed:

1. Bottled Water
  2. Bottled Water
  3. Everything else:
    - Clothes, all sizes
    - Food that can be eaten right out of the can.
    - Shoes, sneakers, flip flops, sandals.
    - Flashlights, batteries
    - Cleaning supplies
    - And, disposable diapers, too.
- Please, no out of date food. Clothing must be serviceable, used is OK, but, would you wear it?

Everything will be turned over to the Seventh-day Adventist Church who will process the donations at Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster. They are not new to the disaster relief business. They have been working with FEMA since well before the days of Katrina.

**Adventist Disaster Response**  
Disaster Response efforts and volunteers are members of Adventist Community Services but specialized. Disaster Response can also be local or organized for larger projects across the United States. Disaster Response is specialized because they know how to organize not only the distribution of products and services locally but on a national level.

They set up warehouse distribution which are multi-agency facilities. In other words, groups like the Red Cross, and the Salvation Army can find the supplies they need from the Adventist Disaster Response organization and distribution.

Monetary contributions will also be welcome. Cash will

go through the Kiwanis Club Charities and checks should be made to the Kiwanis Club of Wilmington.

This will be an ongoing appeal. Puerto Rico was in trouble before the hurricane hit. The people of Puerto Rico are American citizens in dire need of help and will appreciate what we can do.

**About Kiwanis International**  
Founded in 1915, Kiwanis International is a global organization of clubs and members dedicated to serving the children of the world. Kiwanis and its family of clubs, including Circle K International for university students, Key Club for high school students, Builders Club for middle school students, K-Kids for elementary school students and Aktion Club for adults living with disabilities, annually dedicate more than 18 million hours and raise more than \$100 million to strengthen communities and serve children.

Nearly 670,000 adult and

youth members in more than 80 countries and geographic areas comprise the Kiwanis International family. More information: [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org).

### About Kiwanis Club of Wilmington

The Kiwanis Club of Wilmington was formed 50 years ago to perform community service, locally, regionally and internationally.

Locally they have provided scholarships to graduating seniors from WHS and Shawsheen Tech, served the senior citizens of Wilmington with holiday meals, done yard clean up for them, donated the playground at Silver Lake (which was recently replaced with new equipment) and many other projects.

Membership is open to men and women who live or work in Wilmington or Tewksbury and have an interest in helping others.

Call club president Stu Neilson for more information 978-430-1652

## "9 p.m. Routine" aims to curb thefts from cars

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den, one decreases their chance of becoming a victim. Other ways to avoid victimization are to avoid leaving one's vehicle running while unattended and closing all windows and sunroof when parked. Since many burglars work under the cloak of

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## WOW hosts 7th annual Festival of Trees event

WILMINGTON — We're One Wilmington (WOW) announces the 7th annual Festival of Trees on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Villanova Hall, 126 Middlesex Ave. in Wilmington.

This free family-friendly event will feature a raffle of spectacular holiday trees, wreaths and baskets. There will also be baked goods, popcorn and refreshments for sale, as well as musical performances, a scavenger hunt and a special visit by Mrs. Claus. They will also have their annual Angel Giving Tree tagged with holiday gift requests for community members in need.

Ribbons will be awarded for donations in the following categories: Best Use of Theme, Best Mini Tree, Best Tree Topper, Best Alternative (non-tree) Tree, Most Creative, Best in Show and Fan Favorite.

WOW would greatly appreciate your tax-deductible donation to help make the event a tremendous success.

Many ways you or your organization can help:

- Donate a theme-decorated artificial tree - all donors will be recognized
- Donate a basket of goods or a wreath to advertise your

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- Donate cases of water, juice, soda or items for the bake sale

Ways you or your organization benefits:

- Tax write-off
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- Advertising for your business

Proceeds from this event will be used to purchase holiday gifts for local families in need and to help fund WOW's many charitable initiatives throughout the year.

An important part of WOW's mission is to support other non-profit organizations in town. They have limited slots available for non-profit organizations to fundraise at the Festival. If your organization is interested in signing up for time slot to fundraise, please contact Kim Martiniello at [kim.martiniello@gmail.com](mailto:kim.martiniello@gmail.com). Slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

Visit the website <http://www.onewilmington.org/> for additional event details.

For more information about making a donation, please contact Becky McGrath at [mcgrathbecky@gmail.com](mailto:mcgrathbecky@gmail.com) or register your donation using the online form at <http://www.onewilmington.org/festival-of-trees/treebasket-wreath-donations/>.

## Harvest/Halloween Fest at Farmers Market

WILMINGTON — Come to the last Sunday of the season at Wilmington Farmers Market this Sunday, Oct. 29 and join in for the end-of-season celebration. The hope is to give back to the community that has supported the market all season.

- Performance from Elevation Aerial Arts at 10:30 a.m.
- Face painting
- Balloon sculptures by The Magic of Yarrow
- Pumpkin decorating at the Kid's Table

- Costume parade
- Chip In Farm Petting Zoo, featuring fainting goats, calf, bunnies and much more starting at 11 a.m.

Free for all ages, family friendly, put on your costumes and let's have some fun!

The Wilmington Farmers Market is open Sundays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the Swain Green, across from the town common. Find them on Facebook, or on the web at [www.wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com](http://www.wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com).

## United Methodist Veterans Day Breakfast

WILMINGTON — Wilmington United Methodist Men's invitation to Veterans Day Breakfast on Nov. 11, 2017 at 8 a.m. at Wilmington United Methodist Church, 87 Church St., Wilmington.

"Honorable Veterans, You are invited to be our guests for breakfast, as a thank you for your service to our country. Come and enjoy

the camaraderie of your fellow soldiers, listen to our guest speakers, and enjoy a delicious start to your special day."

Please contact the church office at 978-658-4519 or [wilmingtonumcoffice@gmail.com](mailto:wilmingtonumcoffice@gmail.com) by Thursday, Nov. 9, to make your reservation. Rides to the event may be arranged through the church office as well.

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## Butters Row Bridge closed October 23 through November 10 to repair damaged timber

WILMINGTON — The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) announced that due to construction operations on Monday, Oct. 23 through Friday, Nov. 10 the Butters Row Bridge over the MBTA Railroad in Wilmington will be closed to vehicular traffic. These impacts are necessary to allow work crews to repair damaged bridge timber deck planks and timber stringers. It is anticipated it will take three weeks to complete the repairs. The daily work hours will be 7

a.m. to 7 p.m.

Affected traffic will be detoured as follows:

Traffic on the east side of the bridge destined to areas on the west side of the bridge will be directed to follow Route 38 North; turn left onto Route 62 West; and turn left onto Chestnut Street South.

Traffic on the west side of the bridge destined to areas on the east side of the bridge will be directed to follow Chestnut Street North; turn right onto Route 62 East; and turn right onto Route 38 South.



▲ Handmade Raffle Items at Library - The library's Friday needlework group generously donated a number of handmade items toward a raffle to benefit the Friends of the Wilmington Memorial Library. 20 different item groups, including handmade scarves, afghans, dolls, baby clothes, and more are on display on the first floor of the library. Purchase 10 tickets for \$5; then take a chance on the items you are interested in winning. Drawing is Friday, Nov. 17.

(Courtesy photo)



▲ Anita Thomas served dinner to Alison Smith, Madison Wright and Kaitlyn Smith at the fundraiser dinner held at the Wilmington United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 7th. The fundraiser will help support St. Paul's Soup Kitchen in Lowell.

(Photo by Maureen Brady)



## Welcome Strive 24 Hour Fitness

Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, members, and state/town officials proudly welcomed Steven Shibilia, Wilmington native and owner of Strive 24 Hour Fitness to the business community with an official Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to kick off their Grand Opening weekend. Strive 24 Hour Fitness is located at 3 Lopez Road, Wilmington.

(Courtesy photo)

## Fate of marijuana shops up in the air

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Valerie Gingrich, director of Planning and Conservation, was in attendance and suggested that a more effective third article may simply extend the moratorium, rather than further modify zoning bylaws. She noted that the ultimate decision

would be left "to the will of the people," but suggested that even if a prohibition failed, residents would likely be more receptive to an extension of the existing moratorium.

Ultimately, the motion was made for both articles to be brought to vote at Town Meeting, with a third added.

The third article would, in line with Gingrich's suggestion, extend the moratorium on cannabis sales should the other two articles both fail. All five selectmen voted in favor.

"Glad we're unanimous on that, gentlemen," said Chairman Mike Champoux. "It's good stuff."

## Wilmington on track to fall below 10 percent threshold by 2020

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that inaction now could lead to a loss of town control over development in a few short years.

"I'd rather be proactive and prepare now," said Champoux, "than wait until 2020 and see what happens."

The debate is complicated by limited options for choosing a course of action. According to Gingrich, there are two ways to do permitting for affordable housing development. One requires that the town spend the next three years working inter-

nally to create the appropriate number of affordable units, while working within existing zoning regulations.

The other is that the town utilizes the state Chapter 40B process, working through the Board of Appeals. The first option leaves the town subject to stiff time pressure. The second option leaves developers vulnerable, as their proposals could be denied.

Ultimately, Selectman McCoy made a motion to submit an article proposing that town-owned land not be sold, which was defeated.

Chairman Champoux then made a motion to do the opposite, which was also defeated. (Selectman Edward Loud voted against both articles, suggesting that it be best if the topic was discussed at another public meeting.)

This will certainly not be the last time that Wilmington residents hear of the affordable housing issue in town, and as Selectman Greg Bendel said in regards to modifying zoning for housing development projects, "I know it's not an easy task."

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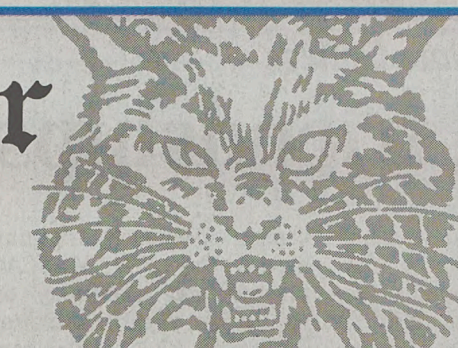
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## Deb Smith Appreciation Day set for October 29

Wilmington Pop Warner has announced it will be hosting a 'Deb Smith Appreciation Day' on Sunday, October 29th from 8 am - 2 pm at Wilmington High School's Turf Field. This is the final day of the 2017 WPW season and the final day Smith will serve as league president. This event is open to all current and alumni Pop Warner players, cheerlead-

ers, coaches, family and friends. Smith, who has been involved with WPW since 1999 between cheerleading coach and League President, will be retiring after this season, serving in that role since 2008. In the spring, she was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pop Warner Conference of Eastern Massachusetts.

## Host Gloucester in playoff opener Football team looking to make program history

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WILMINGTON - When the MIAA released its football brackets on Sunday, one of the marquee matchups across the (ridiculous) eight divisions will be the Wilmington-Gloucester game.

This one should be a dandy for a lot of reasons.

After finishing the regular season with a 6-1 record, the Wildcats are the No. 3 seed in the Division 4 North Sectionals. The 'Cats will host the No. 6 seed Gloucester Fishermen (5-2) Friday night at Alumni Stadium at 7 pm.

This is the first time that these two teams have ever met in a football game, according to the Gloucester Daily Times, and it's also the first time that WHS has hosted a playoff game. The Wildcats are 0-5 in previous playoff games, losing to Lynn Classical in 1976, to Hingham in 2004 and then to Marblehead, Beverly and Burlington in the first round of the new format from 2013-15.

A win on Friday night and the Wildcats would not only advance to the semi-final round to face either No. 2 Marblehead or No. 7 Wakefield, but it would be the first playoff victory in the long history of this program.

"We would love for us to be the first team," said first-year head coach Craig Turner. "It's also pretty cool that we're hosting the first ever playoff game. I told the kids during the summer that hosting a playoff game was one of our goals. It's exciting to have this opportunity. I don't think the kids necessarily care about that stuff. I think they will care more if they are the first ones to win (a playoff game). They have a pretty good focus about them right now. They feel pretty confident that we can do some damage in this bracket and it's a really tough bracket."

Melrose is the No. 1 seed and that's the only opponent

the 'Cats have been defeated by this season. Marblehead is second with Wilmington third, followed by North Reading, Wayland, Gloucester, Wakefield and Dracut.

Certainly getting a very tough 5-2 Gloucester team in the opening round will be no picnic.

"Yeah, we got a tough draw," said Turner. "We were just watching them on film and they are definitely good. To finish 5-2 in that (Northeastern) league is tough and their two losses are against Lynn Classical and they are a division above us and then Marblehead, who is the No. 2 seed in our bracket. (Gloucester) is a traditional state power and they have a lot of success and tradition, but this is what we signed up for. We are pretty excited about it."

The Fishermen ended up sharing the Northeast Division 2 league title. The team has posted victories over Revere (29-8), Beverly (25-15), Somerville (28-21), Saugus (26-25) and Medford (40-16) but have been defeated by Lynn Classical (21-19) and Marblehead (21-12). Only Somerville, Lynn Classical and Marblehead are in the playoffs.

Wilmington has defeated Shawsheen, Bedford, Wakefield, Watertown, Burlington and Stoneham and all but Bedford and Burlington are in the playoffs.

Gloucester has had very good success in the playoffs. Last year, the Fishermen defeated Melrose in the first round (18-6) before losing to Marblehead (41-26) in the semi-finals. In 2013 and '15, the Fishermen knocked out Beverly in the first round. Gloucester is coached by Tony Zerilli, who in his seventh season has a record of 40-33, including 22-7 the last three seasons.

"They run the Wing-T offense and they like to run the ball a lot. They are not overly big but they are very fast and very tough. They

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Last Wednesday, Wilmington High School senior Jill Miele had a goal and three assists giving her 57 career points at the time which broke the WHS Field Hockey program's all-time scoring record set back in 1988 by Jennifer DelNinno-Navaria. Navaria came to meet Miele and the team on Monday to congratulate Miele on her accomplishment. Since Wednesday, Miele has added two goals giving her 26 goals and 9 assists this season, and 47 goals, 15 assists and 62 points in her career. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

## Jennifer DelNinno held it for 29 years Miele breaks all-time scoring record

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WILMINGTON - Twenty-nine years ago, back in the Fall of 1988, Jennifer DelNinno helped lead the Wilmington High School Field Hockey team to its second straight Merrimack Valley Conference Championship title with a 15-1-2 overall record.

A senior co-captain who was a three-year varsity starter as a forward, she ended her career with 30 goals, 26 assists for 56 points, led the league in scoring during her junior year, was named a two-time MVC All-Conference selection, a two-time Lowell Sun All-Star and a two-time Boston Globe All-Scholastic and helped the Wildcats finish with a combined record of 44-7-5, including three state tournament appearances and a trip to the sectional semi-finals.

DelNinno's 56 career points, including 12 goals and 7 assists during her junior season which led the league, has stood as a program record until this past week. Wilmington High School senior Jill Miele surpassed that total when she combined for 3 goals and 3 assists in three games giving her season totals of 26 goals, 9 assists for 35 points and career numbers of 47-15-62.

Before Monday night's game against Danvers, Jennifer (DelNinno) Navaria, who now lives in Haverhill, stopped by Wilmington High School to meet Miele and offer her congratulations on setting the new single season goal and point record as well as career goals and career point records in the long history of WHS Field Hockey which dates back to the

1950s.

"I did know that I had the record, but I just didn't know what my numbers were," said Navaria. "I think it's kind of cool to have a record for this long. I sent my Dad a text asking him if he remembered what my numbers were because I had told him that the coaches were asking me. He said he didn't remember either but then said 'well records are meant to be broken' and that's so true and it's really cool for (Jill Miele) to do it."

According to records kept by current head coach Leanne Ebert and former coaches, including Hall of Famer Jan Cassidy-Wood, DelNinno had the career mark of 56 points, while Kathy Robinson (14-17-31) and Lisa Cutone-Bacon (18-13-31) shared the single season point records until Miele broke those as well.

"It's definitely wicked cool," said Miele. "I didn't know that I broke it. We thought the record for goals in a season was thirty so I just kind of had my mind set on that. I already had a goal in my mind of what I wanted to reach and little did I know that I actually broke it. I thought maybe I was close because coach and I were talking about it."

Miele scored a goal and added three assists in the team's 5-1 win over Burlington last Wednesday, before she added her 25th

goal of the season in the 2-1 win over Wakefield on Friday, and then she scored her 26th goal in the team's 2-2 tie with Danvers on Monday night. Miele's assist on Danielle Silva's goal in the win over Burlington gave her the record.

"I couldn't be happier for Jill for her accomplishments this season and her varsity career," said Ebert. "I'm so proud of her. She doesn't take the recognition for what she has contributed both on and off the field -- her leadership and athleticism has most certainly played an important role in the success of this season. She attributes her personal accomplishments and the programs success to the team as a whole -- a true team player."

Ebert saw first-hand just how good DelNinno was as a high school player having been a freshman in 1988 and a part of the program, playing on the JV team.

"Jen was a senior captain the year the team clinched

the MVC title and moved on to play in the state tournament. She was fun to watch, much like Jill is now -- had skill and finesse and always gave it her all."

In 1986, DelNinno was part of the Wildcats team that finished 16-4-1 overall. The team finished second in the league standings and went on to defeat Lynnfield and Tyngsboro in the state tournament before losing to Watertown, 1-0 in the sectional semi-finals.

The following year, DelNinno started off hot scoring three goals in the team's opening 6-0 win over Dracut. She had 18 points through the team's first 13 games before the team took on Methuen.

"That's when I took a ball to my face," DelNinno remembered about a severe injury. "That was kind of crazy. I ended up playing in the league all-star game like five days later wearing a helmet."

DelNinno came back the following game and helped the Wildcats defeat Chelmsford, 3-2, to capture the league title. In the regular season finale, she scored her 12th goal of the season in a win over Tewksbury. The Wildcats then were eliminated from the tournament in the first round by Lynnfield, 2-1.

The following year, her senior year, with current WHS

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Wilmington High's Offensive Line of Michael DeLucia, Connor MacKenzie, and Christopher Mederos gets ready for the snap during an earlier season game. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

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McGilvary, Murphy and Townsend excel at Westfield State College

# A lifetime of soccer and friendships

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WESTFIELD — A quick glance of the majority of collegiate sports team rosters reveals a common theme. Very seldom is more than one athlete from a particular high school a member of that program.

But in the case of the Westfield State University Owls soccer team, the roster lists not just one, or two, but rather, three former Wilmington High School players.

Three current Westfield seniors, Connor Townsend, Jimmy Murphy, and Kory McGilvary have taken a skill honed under the tutelage of Wilmington soccer coach Steve Scanlon and contributed to the Westfield State effort since arriving at the Western Massachusetts University as freshmen nearly four years ago.

"It is kind of odd and you don't usually see something like that," said Wilmington Soccer Coach Scanlon during a recent match at Melrose High. "These kids typically break off after high school and do their own thing when they reach college. But these three guys went together and have stayed together. You have to give them a lot of credit."

Under Scanlon, each of the three athletes contributed to the Wilmington cause, particularly during the 2012 and 2013 campaigns when the Wildcats contested deep into the playoffs.

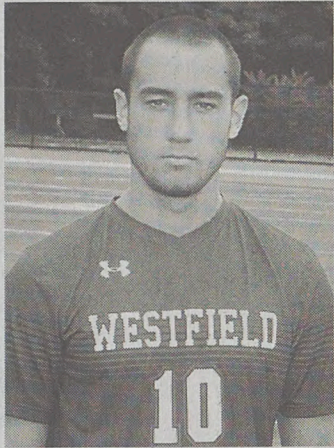
In 2012, Wilmington finished the season with a robust 12-1-5 record, earning the 3rd-seed in the MIAA North Division 2 Tournament and an opening round bye. Well-rested, the Wildcats handily defeated Marblehead in the first round, 4-0, and followed that with another blanking, this a 1-0 defeat of Bedford in the quarterfinals. But after not yielding a goal through two rounds, Wilmington was soundly eliminated by North Andover, 3-0.

The next year, Wilmington again reached the Tournament, this time competing as a North Division 3 qualifier. With yet another outstanding regular season

record, 16-2-1, the Wildcats were the team to beat and the top seed. After a bye, they defeated Weston in the quarterfinals, 2-0, but were soon dispatched in a rematch with Bedford, 1-0.

Townsend, Murphy, and McGilvary each played pivotal roles in the Wildcats success during that span and throughout their careers at Wilmington, according to Scanlon.

"Kory was talented enough



McGILVARY

to earn a starting position as a freshman and played varsity all four years, except for a short time when he was hurt," recalled the coach. "When he played, he never came off the field. He had an exceptional soccer IQ and skillwise, was a truly polished player. He knew the game beyond his years."

Playing on the opposite side of the field from McGilvary, Connor Townsend possessed what Scanlon described as a "bomb of a throw."

"Connor was a league all-star as a senior," the coach said. "He was a really intense player and lightning fast. We had the benefit of McGilvary on one side and Connor on the other and they combined to be real weapons for us. I always thought he would be a good midfielder for a college program because of his speed. He contributed a great deal to our program."

While McGilvary was a four-year starter for the Wildcats, Townsend joined as a sophomore, along with Jimmy Murphy, who proved to be a pure goal-scorer.

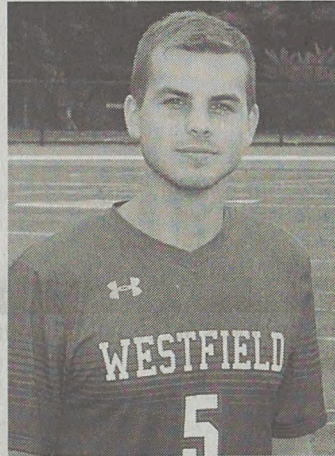
"Murphy had a knack for finding the net and was a

good finisher," said Scanlon. "Every team needs a guy like that who can score goals. A lot of guys claim to be goal-scorers but Murphy was the real deal. He had quickness, good ball skills, and was a repeat league All-Star."

Scanlon knew that his talent pool would likely interest college scouts. He explained that Westfield was canvassing programs that were playing well at the time, such as Wilmington, and was attempting to entice not just individuals, but rather multiple players to enroll at their school together. The simple philosophy was that teammates that had bonded and proved successful in the high school ranks could duplicate the effort as collegiate athletes, according to Scanlon.

Westfield State University Coach John Evans, who holds both a National and an Advanced National Diploma from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America, echoed the sentiment.

"Taking those guys together proved to be a real gift," said Evans, who recently qualified for the MASCAC playoffs. "At the time, we got several players each from Wilmington, Agawam and West Springfield High, which was coming off a State championship. When I look at these guys, coming from their high schools together, I see something of a 'Band of Brothers' as college players. The chemistry on the team is positive because we have groups like



TOWNSEND

that."

With just a pair of regular

season games remaining before the 2017 MASCAC playoffs get underway on Halloween, Westfield States maintains a 7-8 regular season record, 3-3 in their league. Headed by Evans, in his sixth year at the helm of the program, the Owls have found success under his leadership, including a MASCAC Tournament title in 2012 followed by a visit to the NCAA Tournament and more recently, a Conference title in 2015.

Helping the Owls achieve success during this span was Townsend who, according to Evans, played both sides of the field as an outside back and was a steady contributor over the last four years.

"I believe Connor had the most playing minutes on the field during his freshman year," recalled his coach. "He was playing 90-minutes a game and was tremendously valuable. He was fast, athletic, and was a great help to our defensive structure."

Evans went on to say that Townsend, who has tallied a half-dozen shots thus far this season, sustained a knee injury during his junior year but literally ignored it, playing through the pain and continues to do so in his senior year.

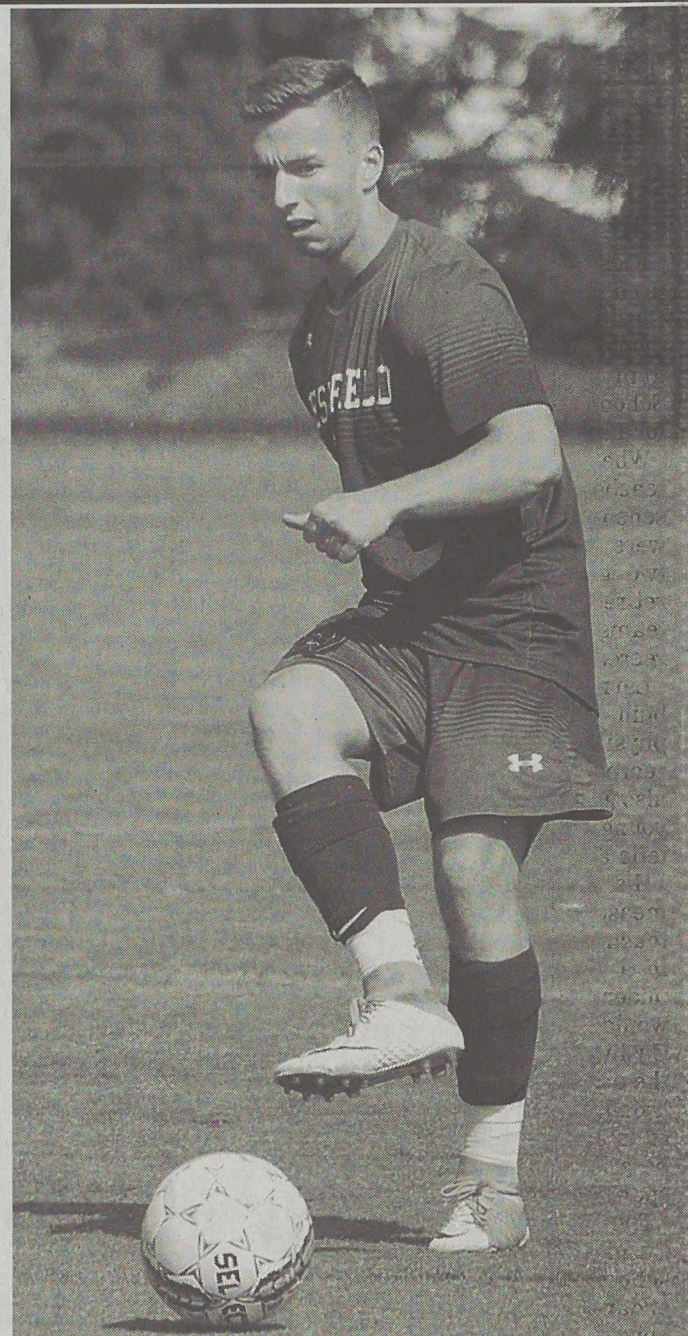
"Four years ago, as an incoming freshman, I made the choice to attend Westfield State," said Townsend. "I wanted to play soccer at the collegiate level but also wanted the benefit of a school with high academic standards."

Townsend, who has 889 playing minutes in 13 games this year, admitted that while he has no regrets with his decision to join former Wilmington teammates Murphy and McGilvary at Westfield, he had initially considered attending other schools.

"I did have desires to play soccer elsewhere," he said. "But the decision I made has had a positive influence on me both as a player and a person. Competing with Kory and Jimmy over the last eight-plus years has formed a bond that will last long after we graduate."

Jimmy Murphy, who was described by Coach Evans as possessing an unmatched toughness and work ethic, sustained a season-ending ACL injury against Framingham State earlier this year. He emphasized, however, that the mishap has not dampened Murphy's drive and determination or his support for his teammates.

"He has been a constant presence at every practice on our bench and the lead-



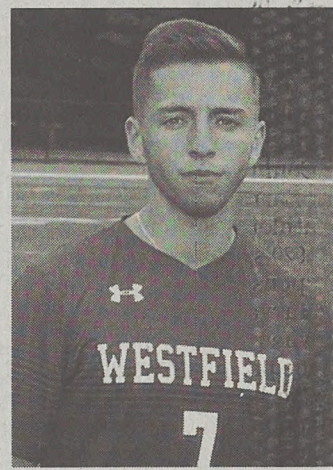
Wilmington resident Jimmy Murphy, shown here earlier in the season, is out injured for the Westfield State College Men's Soccer team. He has played four years with the program. (courtesy photo/WSC).

ing voice of our team," said Evans. "When we need a pick-me-up, when we need a guy who is going to be aggressive verbally, I can just turn to Jimmy and he'll be that guy."

"It was actually a lot more than eight years together," said Murphy, who accumulated 454 playing minutes before he was sidelined. "Kory and I have been playing together since we were eight-year-old. I'm thankful to have played soccer with these guys for all these years. Before I went down with an injury, I was part of a back line with my two former Wilmington teammates and a Melrose guy. I guess that says a lot about the competitiveness and ability of the Middlesex League."

While both coaches, Evans and Scanlon, described all three athletes as "leaders," Evans felt that Kory McGilvary most exemplified that role.

"I can't say enough about Kory," said Evans. "At this point, he is our most steady contributor at center back. He is an All-Conference level player, a Captain, and leader in many ways right at the heart of our team. He has a strong, steady, calming influence. You need a voice in the back who is



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going to direct traffic and Kory is that guy."

McGilvary, like his teammates, felt the stressful transition from high school to college was eased by the fact that he had two long-time friends literally at his side.

"Having a couple of guys from my hometown that I'm familiar with and comfortable around definitely made it a little easier," said McGilvary, who leads the Wilmington trio with 1328 playing minutes in 15 games. "They're good friends and I anticipate we'll stay in touch in the years ahead and maybe play a little pick-up game here and there."



Above Kory McGilvary and below Connor Townsend, are two of three Wilmington residents on the Westfield Men's Soccer team. (courtesy photos/WSC).



WHS Girls Soccer falls to Stoneham

## Golden opportunity missed

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Through-out this season, Wilmington High School Girls' Soccer coach Sue Hendee has said repeatedly that she was waiting for her team to play a full 80-minute game. Too many times the 'Cats took a step back during certain parts of games which in the end would cost them a win or a tie.

Well the same thing happened on Tuesday night. Playing at home in front of a large crowd as part of the doubleheader Kick Cancer Fundraiser game, Wilmington jumped out to a 1-0 halftime lead only to take several steps back in their play in the second half. Stoneham took advantage of that scoring two goals in less than four minutes apart - in the final 15 minutes of the game, to come away with the 2-1 victory.

The two teams, Wilmington and Stoneham are now tied for first place in the Middlesex League

Freedom Division. Both teams have one league game left on Thursday with the 'Cats taking on Watertown and Stoneham taking on Wakefield. Certainly, Wilmington could have had at least a share of the title (seventh straight) had they defeated the Spartans.

"The first half was great and with the wind in our backs for the second half we would get more offensive opportunities but we just couldn't put anything together offensively," said an extremely disappointed Hendee. "One goal is not enough sometimes."

Wilmington jumped out to the 1-0 lead as Annie Wingate made a nice move going to her left, before taking a left-footed shot from 25 yards out which went to the far right corner.

The game remained 1-0 until Stoneham's Kelly Powers scored on a high lofting kick from 40 yards out which went to the top left-hand corner. Then less than four minutes later, this time from the right-

hand corner, Emily Simpson scored the game winner on a similar shot going to the far top left hand corner.

Last Wednesday, Wilmington defeated Wakefield 3-0. Dana Goulet, Bella Granara and Alyssa Bernazani scored single goals, while, Singate and Jessie McCullough had one assist each.

Jill Roche and Devin Lawrence split the duties in net to combine for the shut out.

The 1-1 week puts Wilmington at 7-4-5 overall. The Wildcats have two games left before the state tournament pairings are announced on Wednesday. Watertown comes for a visit on Thursday and before the 'Cats face Tewksbury on Monday night (6 pm) at WHS.

The Redmen have three games left and need three points to qualify for the same Division 2 North Sectional Tournament bracket with the 'Cats.



# Gymnasium has a name, and it's C-u-s-h-i-n-g

By LARZ F. NEILSON

Kids in Wilmington always used to call gym "Mr. Cushing."

On Saturday morning, the gym at Wilmington High School will again be named for Lawrence H. Cushing.

When he was hired as a teacher in the Wilmington school system in 1949, there were three boys' teams and two girls' teams. When he retired in 1978, there were 22 teams and an active town recreation program.

Larry Cushing not only built Wilmington's athletic, physical education and recreation programs, he also inspired generations of youngsters to successful athletic and academic careers.

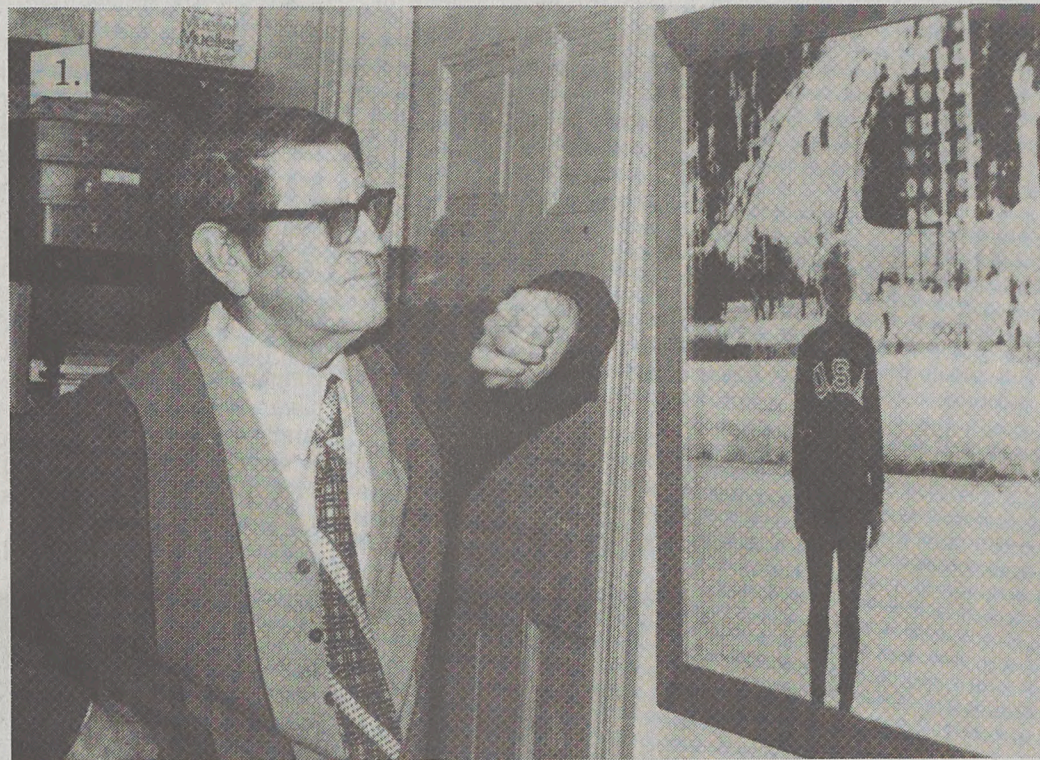
His greatest gift would be measured in the lives he touched. He would show up in a classroom with a ball under his arm and the kids would beam. It was Mr. Cushing! The program of the day might be to organize a ball game on the Common or in a school yard. It would be a lesson in fair play and sportsmanship.

The contributions of Mr. Cushing to the Wilmington school system are legendary. While many people have worked in the physical education, athletic and recreation programs, it was he who initiated them. For more than a quarter century, he headed the physical education program and served as athletic director.

He began the town recreation programs and served on the Recreation Commission.

Larry was a three-sport athlete in Everett in the 1920's, and was awarded a sponsorship to attend Harvard University. But when he was one year into the program, his father died, and he had to go to work to support the family. But he kept his athletic spirit, playing baseball in the Boston Park League.

He was later signed by the Boston Red Sox, playing in



Larry Cushing always loved this picture of Jeanne Ashworth, Wilmington's Olympic speed skating medalist. This photo was taken in Mr. Cushing's office shortly before his retirement.

the minors. Among other claims to fame, he pitched batting practice against Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig.

He married Gertrude Baldwin, and they came to Wilmington, moving into a house at 10 Jones Ave., owned by her uncle, Charlie Baldwin. That became the Baldwin - Cushing - Lynch neighborhood at Silver Lake. He played ball for the Maroons, at the ballfield on Cottage Street. The 1938 hurricane dropped four large pine trees on the house.

Cushing child number five, Jackie, was the first in the family born in Wilmington. He has carried on in the family tradition, running many recreation programs in town.

During the Depression in the 1930's, Larry was in the WPA, the Works Progress Administration, working on the stone building in Wildwood Cemetery and the sidewalks along Church Street.

During World War II, he enlisted in the Navy and was assigned to the Seabees, in construction. Before he

could be deployed, though, he was reassigned to the U.S. Navy baseball team. He spent the rest of the war playing baseball. He played against several men who went on to professional baseball careers, including Yogi Berra.

After the war, while working third shift at the GE plant in Lynn, he finished

his bachelor's and master's degrees in education.

In 1949, Larry and his son Jackie started in the Wilmington school system at the same time, Larry as a teacher, Jackie in the first grade. That same year, Jimmy, the youngest of Gertrude and Larry's eight children was born.

Through the 1950s, as the

town grew, so did the programs. He and May Bliss drafted a town meeting article for a recreation commission, and he added a new hat to his job. He organized Wilmington Little League. When Carl Backman started the Wilmington Skating Club, Larry was a key supporter. Facilities were rebuilt or built anew. There was a Little League field on the common, and a skating rink behind the South School. At Silver Lake, the town beach was built, where there had been a concrete dance floor.

Of course, there were programs to use those facilities. In addition to the Skating Club, the Recreation Department hosted an annual skating carnival at the South School.

Jackie Cushing said he couldn't have asked for a better dad. When Larry came home, there would soon be a game organized. When he opened the trunk of his car, it was full of balls of every sort, soccer balls, basketballs, baseballs, kick balls, tennis balls, golf balls.

There was a side to Larry that Jackie never realized. At his wake, a great many people told Jackie and his mother how Larry had helped them along in life, in

college admissions, in employment leads and in other ways. Jackie said his father never spoke of this, but just quietly did all he could for young people.

He had a life-long affiliation with the Red Sox, and was a "bird dog," making recommendations on promising players, including Tony and Billy Conigliaro and Wilbur Wood. He also brought several players from Wilmington to the Sox, including Frank Hadley, Rick Froton, Tex Johnston, George Shepard, Bob Butters, Ted Kambour, Rick Froton, Pete Emery, and Earl Baldwin.

He would frequent the Red Sox office to exchange information on prospective players, and encouraged many young players into professional baseball.

Larry Cushing died in 1984, and two years later, a new gymnasium was named for him. That gymnasium was torn down for the construction of the new high school about four years ago. Last spring, the annual town meeting voted to name the gymnasium in the new school for him.

The dedication ceremonies will be held on Saturday starting at 11:00 am.



Larry Cushing makes a point to members of the Wilmington Recreation Commission. From left, George Dyas, Carl "Bucky" Backman, May Bliss, Cushing and Rico Catalano.

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WHS Football ends regular season 6-1

Offense erupts again -- puts 34 quick points up against Stoneham

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STONEHAM - If the Wilmington High Football team was looking to serve notice on Friday night to the rest of Division 4 North that they are going to be a force to be reckoned with when the playoffs get underway this weekend, then they can consider it mission accomplished after a 34-6 rout of Middlesex League Freedom Division rival Stoneham at Stoneham High School.

With the win, the Wildcats improved to 6-1 on the season as they gear up for their first round playoff matchup with Gloucester this Friday night at Alumni Stadium.

The 'Cats earned that win on Friday in impressive fashion, dominating their opponents from start to finish on both sides of the ball, racing out to a 20-0 first half lead and blowing the game open in the third quarter.

Wilmington piled up 301 yards of total offense, including 145 on the ground, but even more impressively they limited a Stoneham (5-2) offense which had been averaging nearly 34 points per game over their last five contests to just six points and 148 total yards.

"I thought honestly this might have been the best game we played all year," Wilmington coach Craig Turner said. "We played excellent on defense. Stoneham is really tough on offense. They have scored a ton of points this year and they are really tough to stop, but our kids did a great job. That's a really good team. They weren't 5-1 heading into this game for no reason."

Senior quarterback Graham Smith had a huge game for Wilmington, throwing for 156 yards and three touchdowns, two of them on deep balls to senior wide receiver Michael Ducharme while running for another score. Besides Smith, senior running back John Kenney rushed for 70 yards and a touchdown.

The Wildcats jumped on top right from the start, taking the opening kickoff and marching 77 yards on ten plays before Kenney capped the drive with a two-yard touchdown run with 5:58 left in the first quarter for a 6-0 lead after the failed two-point conversion.

Kenney's scoring run was a thing of beauty as he started to the right, but when he saw his path blocked, he stopped on a dime, and reversed field, instead taking the ball up the middle for the first score of the game.

One play prior to the touchdown, Smith had converted a fourth and one from the 12-yard line with a ten-yard run to give the Wildcats a first and goal at the two-yard line.

Early in the second quarter the Wildcats would add to their lead on a drive set up by a fumble recovery by senior captain Tyler Roberts, giving Wilmington the ball at the Stoneham 37-yard line.

From there it took the Wildcats seven plays before Smith would score the team's second touchdown of the night on an 11-yard keeper with 4:45 left in the half.

Moments later, after the Wildcat defense had held Stoneham on fourth down at midfield, Smith connected with a wide open Ducharme for his first touchdown of the night to make the score 20-0 with 1:37 left in the half.

The Stoneham defense, who had been dominated by the Wilmington running game to that point, sold out to stop the run and Smith and Ducharme made them pay, with Ducharme breaking wide open into the secondary before Smith hit him in stride at about the 20-yard line and let Ducharme do the rest from there.

While the Wildcats were moving the ball with relative ease against the Spartans, the normally potent Stoneham offense could not generate much at all offensively, with their running game being consistently stuffed by the Wilmington defensive front.

"We kind of challenged our kid's toughness a little but this week, because with the kind of offense they run, we knew we would have to be tough and physical up front, and the kids really did a great job of it," Turner said. "We have tough, physical kids up front, and we told them during the week that no one has run the ball against us this year, so we kind of liked the challenge of our strength against their strength. We had a really good game plan and the kids executed it perfectly."

Stoneham did finally get on the board with a long touchdown pass of their own from Jack McCabe to Tre Pignone with 39 seconds left in the half to pull within 20-6, but that was as close as they would get, as Wilmington added two quick scores in the third quarter to put the game away.

Stoneham actually came out of the locker room strong to start the second half, moving from their 45-yard line to the Wilmington 17, but for the second time in the game they were thwarted on a fourth and two attempt, this time thanks to a stop by sophomore linebacker Bailey Smith and senior linebacker Marken Nerestant.

The Wildcats needed only three plays to strike again on a 63-yard touchdown pass from Smith to Ducharme, courtesy of a tremendous athletic play by Smith, who scrambled to elude the Stoneham pressure in the backfield, buying time before eventually finding Ducharme, who had found and open area along the sideline. Ducharme hauled in the pass at about the Stoneham 40-yard line and then raced down the left sideline and into the end zone for a 26-0 lead.

"Graham is a special athlete and he is getting better every week," Turner said. "This season is the first time he has ever played quarterback at the high school level. We are in game seven right now and he gets better every week. He is getting more comfortable with what we are asking him to do."

Another Stoneham

turnover led to another Wildcats touchdown later in the quarter when Peter Marino picked off a pass on the Spartans 25-yard line and returned it 51 yards to the Stoneham 24-yard line.

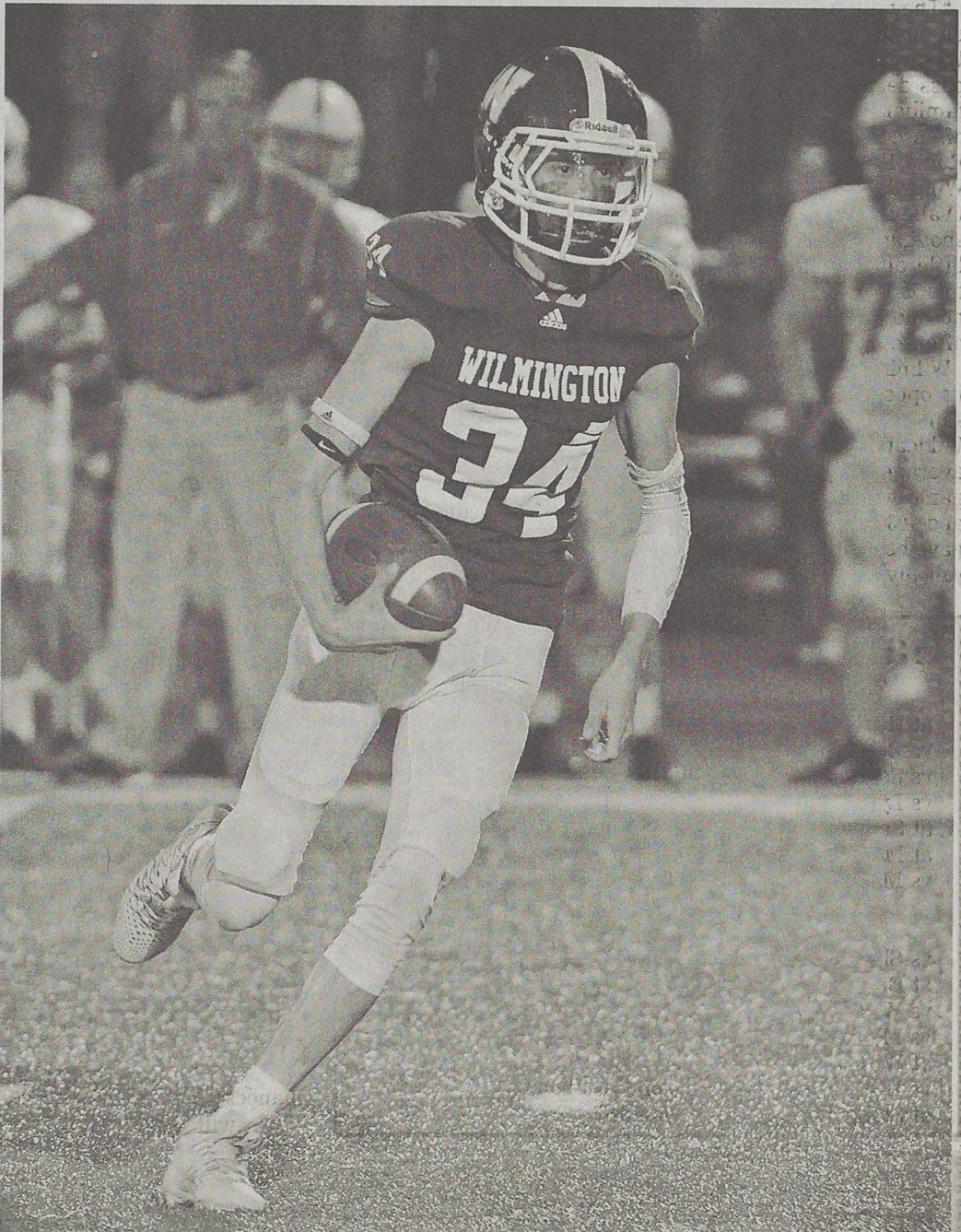
One play later Smith connected with senior wide receiver Tyler Roberts for his third touchdown pass of the game and a 34-6 lead after a conversion pass to Kenney with 3:47 left in the third quarter.

After the game, Turner made it clear to his players that as great as the regular season was, it won't matter once the playoffs get under way this weekend. With that being said, the first-year coach was pleased to see his team close out the regular season with such a dominant effort.

"It beats losing," Turner laughed. "I have been on both sides of it. I have lost going into the first round of the playoffs, and the past couple of years at Mystic we have won going in. It's certainly easier when you win to answer the bell, but you have to forget about this pretty quickly."

Turner, who at the time did not know who the Wildcats first round opponent would be, continued, "One thing I told our coaches is that whoever comes to see us next week, it is going to be a really good football team. No disrespect to any of the teams we faced at Mystic, but sometimes in the first round you might get an easier opponent."

"There is not an easy opponent in this division. Every team is good. Whoever we get is going to be a big challenge for us, and we are excited about it."



Wilmington High senior wide receiver Michael DuCharme shown here during an earlier season game, had a monster game on Friday night scoring a pair of touchdowns in the win over Stoneham. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Senior scores pair of touchdowns in latest win

DuCharme catching on at the right time

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STONEHAM - Late in the first half of Wilmington High's regular season finale with Middlesex Freedom Division rival Stoneham, the Wildcats had been dominating play, moving the ball almost at will against the Spartans defense. Still however, the Wildcats led just 14-0.

And while the powerful Stoneham offense had been held in check to that point, you had to wonder just how long they could be held down. Quite simply, it felt like the Wildcats needed more points.

Enter senior wide receiver Michael DuCharme. Facing a second-and-three at the Stoneham 42-yard line and with the Spartans defense geared up to stop the Wildcats running game that had been tormenting them all night to that point, DuCharme took full advantage, getting wide open in the Stoneham secondary, where quarterback Graham Smith hit him in stride at about the 20-yard line, from where DuCharme did the rest, taking it to the house to make the score 20-0 with 1:37 left in the half.

DuCharme made a great move at the line of scrimmage to blow past the Spartans defensive back, but he credited his teammates and coaching staff for the success of the play.

"He was man up on me and the corner bit on the fake bubble and I was just able to beat him deep and no one latched on to me. So I was able to score," DuCharme said. "They were ready to stop the run, because our running backs are great. John Kenney is one of the best running backs in the state in my opinion, so that definitely helps us."

All of that is certainly true, but there was not getting around the fact that it was a great play by the duo of Smith and DuCharme that made score possible.

"We called the bubble because we thought the safety would come up on the bubble and we thought the corner would react to it too," Wilmington coach Craig Turner said. "And we got the look we wanted and the two of them made a great play."

The Wildcats were in a similar situation early in the second half. Stoneham had finally gotten on the board late in the first half with a long touchdown pass to close within 20-6, and then had put together an impressive opening drive in the second half before being stopped on fourth down deep in Wilmington territory.

It looked like Stoneham's offense might be starting to get things going and make a game of it if they could hold the Wildcats on their first possession of the second half. Well, not if Smith and DuCharme had anything to say about it. On the third play of the drive after taking over on downs, Smith and DuCharme connected for a 63-yard scoring play on a brilliant play by both Smith and DuCharme. This time it was Smith scrambling to buy time before once again finding an open DuCharme, who hauled in the pass at about the Stoneham 45-yard line and then raced untouched to the end zone for a 26-6 lead with 5:17 left in the third quarter and the Wildcats never looked back.

"(The Stoneham defender) was on me pretty well at the start of the play, but Graham was great at buying time and I was able to get open and he found me," DuCharme said. "He made a great play."

While DuCharme had an outstanding individual game with those two touchdown catches for 105 yards, the best part of the night for him was knowing that he and his team were headed to the Division 4 playoffs on a roll, after an outstanding regular season that saw them finish at 6-1.

"It's a big deal because we have never done this. It is new to us because we have always been losing, but our new coaching staff has brought us a great vibe so it feels great to be winning," DuCharme said. "I am very excited about it. I can't wait to get it going."

Turner can't wait either, and he knows that if the Wildcats are going to be successful in the post season that DuCharme will likely have to be a big part of it.

"Michael has been excellent the past couple of weeks. He is really coming on," Turner said. "He is a kid who hasn't played football the past couple of years, but he is picking it up and he is part of the reason we are peaking at the right time."

WHS Football Box Score and Season Stats

|  |           |     |           |    |       |
|--|-----------|-----|-----------|----|-------|
| WILMINGTON 34, STONEHAM 6  |           |     |           |    |       |
| Wilmington (6-1)   | 6         | 14  | 14        | 0  | -34   |
| Stoneham (5-2)   | 0         | 6   | 0         | 0  | -06   |
| W: John Kenney 2 rush (pass failed)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| W: Graham Smith 11 run (John Kenney rush)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| W: Michael Ducharme 42 pass from Graham Smith (pass failed)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| S: Tre Pignone 48 pass from Jack McCabe (rush failed)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| W: Michael Ducharme 63 pass from Graham Smith (rush failed)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| W: Tyler Roberts 24 pass from Graham Smith (Thomas Robarge pass from Smith)  |           |     |           |    |       |
| Team Stats   |           |     |           |    |       |
|  | W         |     | S         |    |       |
| First Downs:   | 9         |     | 7         |    |       |
| Rushes/Yards:  | 26-145    |     | 30-100    |    |       |
| Pass-Att-Int:  | 6-10-0    |     | 1-4-1     |    |       |
| Passing Yards:   | 156       |     | 48        |    |       |
| Total Yards:   | 301       |     | 148       |    |       |
| Fumbles-lost:  | 0-0       |     | 2-1       |    |       |
| Penalties-yards:   | 3-25      |     | 3-30      |    |       |
| Individual Stats   |           |     |           |    |       |
| Passing: W, Graham Smith 6-10-0, 156 yards, 3 TD's; Jack McCabe 1-4-1, 48 yards, 1 TD.   |           |     |           |    |       |
| Rushing: W, John Kenney 12-70, 1 TD, Tyler Roberts 4-45, Graham Smith 5-20, 1 TD, Devin Clerico 3-7, Kyle Vallee 3-3; S, Christos Argyropoulos 12-43, Jack McCabe 5-32, Tre Pignone 9-14, Seth Russell 2-8, Givelord Elien 1-3.  |           |     |           |    |       |
| Receiving: W, Michael Ducharme 2-105, 2 TD's, Tyler Roberts 1-24, 1 TD, Thomas Robarge 1-17, John Kenney 1-5, Connor Benoit 1-5; S, Tre Pignone 1-48, 1 TD.  |           |     |           |    |       |
| SEASON STATS   |           |     |           |    |       |
| Wilmington   | 31        | 104 | 51        | 28 | - 214 |
| Opponents  | 7         | 68  | 31        | 8  | - 92  |
| Team Stats   |           |     |           |    |       |
|  | W         |     | Opp       |    |       |
| First Downs  | 84        |     | 84        |    |       |
| Rushes-Yards   | 223-1,423 |     | 215-634   |    |       |
| Pass-Att-Int   | 36-90-7   |     | 71-141-10 |    |       |
| Passing Yards  | 752       |     | 897       |    |       |
| Total Yards  | 2,175     |     | 1,531     |    |       |
| Fumbles-Lost   | 10-3      |     | 8-4       |    |       |
| Penalties-Yards  | 33-264    |     | 29-230    |    |       |
| Individual Stats   |           |     |           |    |       |
| Passing: Graham Smith 36-for-90, 752 yards, 11 TDs, 7 INTs.  |           |     |           |    |       |
| Rushing: John Kenney, 131-902, 12 TDs; Graham Smith 46-207, 2 TDs; Tyler Roberts 14-180, 2 TDs; Justin Fraser 7-85; Kyle Penney 12-17; Tristan Ciampa 4-14; Jason Vallee 1-9; Devin Clerico 3-7; Kyle Vallee 3-3; Michael Daley 4 - (-1).  |           |     |           |    |       |
| Receiving: Tyler Roberts 11-238, 5 TDs; Justin Fraser 7-164, 3 TDs; Michael DuCharme 7-163, 2 TDs; Tom Robarge 5-72, 1 TD; John Kenney 3-70; Patrick Carroll 1-22; Peter Marino 1-18, Connor Benoit 1-5.   |           |     |           |    |       |
| Scoring: John Kenney 12 TDs, 6 conversions, 84 points; Tyler Roberts 6 TDs, 3 conversions, 42 points; Graham Smith 3 TDs, 1 Def TD, 1 conversion, 26 points; Justin Fraser 3 TDs, 18 points; Michael DuCharme 2 TDs, 12 points; Tom Robarge 1 TD, 1 conversion, 8 points; Jason Vallee 1 Def TD, 6 points; Adam Bishop 6 PATs, 6 points; Dylan Bresnahan 1 Def TD, 6 points; Kyle Kenyon 1 Def TD, 6 points. |           |     |           |    |       |
| Compiled by Mike Ippolito and Jamie Pote   |           |     |           |    |       |
| *Some of the stats were incorrect the last few weeks. The stats above are completely correct for the season.   |           |     |           |    |       |



## Football team looking to make program history

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are, really, really well-coached. I think they hand you a Wing-T Playbook when you turn a year old over there," said Turner jokingly. "They have been running that offense for a long time and they run it really, really well. They are not huge but they have some tough, tough kids. They come at you and they don't stop fighting. They were down 21-0 to a very good Lynn Classical team and they battled back and almost won the game, losing 21-19. (Gloucester) can definitely cause a lot of problems for us.

"They throw the ball a little bit just to keep you honest. We are trying to sure (our pass defense) up. I'm pretty familiar with the (Wing-T) offense as I worked under Rollie Hinckley, as he was a Wing-T guy at Mystic (Valley). Wakefield ran a shot-gun Wing-T which is a little different. I don't think this is overly new to us, but no one has run this type of offense as well as they do."

Wilmington has outscored its opponents 214-92 this season. Defensively the Wildcats are giving up an average of 219 yards per game with 91 on the ground and 128 in the air. "The Cats have been stingy against the run giving up 2.9 yards per

carry. Additionally, Wilmington has 14 turnovers, ten interceptions and four fumble recoveries, while they have four defensive/special team touchdowns.

Gloucester is led offensively by a trio of running backs Nick Filho, Ryan Argentino and Marc Smith, who line up behind quarterback James Nelson.

"(Our guys on defense just) have to trust their reads the ways they have been taught," said Turner. "In the Wing-T, you see a lot of misdirection plays in the backfield and you can get their eyes moving one way and the ball is going the other way. I think if we do that we have a shot. But this team is not going to stop. They are going to keep coming at us no matter what the situation is and we have to be ready for that. We have to be ready for the type of shock-factor that this offense can produce - the way they run it, how fast they are and how tough they are in the point of attack.

"Our kids have some experience with the Wing-T and our younger guys have run it before and we're going to try to simulate it a little bit better. It's hard to simulate it when they are so good at it."

Offensively, Wilmington is



This year's WHS Cheerleading captains include from Samantha Belmonte (left) and Ashley Rooney. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

averaging nearly 30 points a game, 310 total yards of offense, including 203 on the ground and 107 in the air. Quarterback Graham Smith has vastly improved the last few weeks and has completed 36-of-90 attempts for 752 yards with 11 TDs. Running back John Kenney is averaging 6.9 yards per carry, while Tyler Roberts has 418 yards between rushing and receiving, as well as six touchdowns.

"I think we can move the ball against anybody," said a confident Turner. "I think we can do some different things. I expect them to run something different (defensively) against us. It's hard to tell what they will do from what they have shown on film because we have been so successful running the ball. We are seeing more and more people pile up at the line of scrimmage so we have had to throw the ball more. I don't think we are necessarily throwing the ball more, it's just we're throwing it more effectively. We are capitalizing on our chances.

"We will stick with that

game plan of run, run, play-action and if they start to creep up, we'll throw the ball on first down. Graham continues to get better as quarterback. He's getting better with our read stuff and he's really coming along."

On paper this game is very hard to predict. You would think that it would be high scoring, but then again it's the playoffs. Wilmington would seem like the favorite between the seed, record and being home, but Gloucester has the playoff experience, knowing how to win which is so crucial in high school sports.

"Absolutely they (have the playoff experience over us)," answered Turner. "I don't know if that's a concern. It's hard to tell. I think our kids are pretty excited and they have embraced this (opportunity). They have realized that we are pretty good. I don't think they are necessarily in awe of anyone, nor should they be as I think we have earned the right to feel pretty confident where we are at. I thought we really answered the bell against Stoneham. We played phe-

nomenal, we really did.

"We as a coaching staff are very comfortable with the playoff process. We know what it takes to go through it and how tough it is. I feel pretty comfortable with it and we are trying to relay that to the kids the best we can. The last three years we went to the sectional final when we were at Mystic (Valley Charter School) so it's just about knowing that every week is a new challenge and it's fun. That's the best part of it and that's my message to the kids. It's exciting. You are playing bigger games, the crowds get bigger and we hope to have a big crowd Friday night. It's a lot of fun and everything is just kind of focused in on you."

Should Wilmington prevail in this one, it would either travel to Marblehead or host Wakefield a week from Friday. If the 'Cats are defeated by Gloucester, it will go in the consolation round and most likely play one of the other losing teams in the bracket.

Kick-off on Friday is at 7:00 pm.

## MIAA Football Sectional Brackets

### Division 4 North

1. Melrose (7-0)
2. Marblehead (7-0)
3. Wilmington (6-1)
4. North Reading (5-2)
5. Wayland (4-3)
6. Gloucester (5-2)
7. Wakefield (3-4)
8. Dracut (2-4)

### Quarterfinal Round

Friday, October 27

Gm 1: Dracut at Melrose, 7 pm

Gm 2: Wayland at North Reading, 7 pm

Gm 3: Wakefield at Marblehead, 7 pm

Gm 4: Gloucester at Wilmington, 7 pm

### Semi-Final Round, TBA

Gm 5: Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2

Gm 6: Winner of Game 3 vs. Winner of Game 4

### Final, TBA

Gm 7: Winner of Game 5 vs. Winner of Game 6

### Division 6 North

1. Hamilton-Wenham (7-0)
2. Stoneham (5-2)
3. Shawsheen Tech (5-2)
4. Gr. Lowell (5-2)
5. Arlington Catholic (4-3)
6. Whittier Tech (5-2)
7. Ipswich (4-3)
8. Salem (4-3)

### Quarterfinal Round

Friday, October 27

Gm 3: Ipswich at Stoneham, 7 pm

Gm 4: Whittier Tech at Shawsheen, 7 pm

Saturday, October 28

Gm 1: Salem at Hamilton-Wenham, 1:30 pm

Gm 2: Arlington Catholic at Gr. Lowell, 1:30 pm

### Semi-Final Round, TBA

Gm 5: Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2

Gm 6: Winner of Game 3 vs. Winner of Game 4

### Final, TBA

Gm 7: Winner of Game 5 vs. Winner of Game 6

\*Losing teams move into the consolation round, and those match-ups are announced on the following Monday after weekend games are completed.

## Game by Game Results

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| at Revere         | Gloucester |
| vs Beverly        | Won 29-8   |
| vs Somerville     | Won 25-15  |
| vs Lynn Classical | Won 28-21  |
| at Saugus         | Lost 21-19 |
| at Marblehead     | Won 26-25  |
| vs Medford        | Lost 21-12 |
|                   | Won 40-16  |

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| vs Shawsheen  | Wilmington |
| at Bedford    | Won 27-14  |
| vs Wakefield  | Won 41-13  |
| vs Melrose    | Won 20-15  |
| at Watertown  | Lost 27-13 |
| vs Burlington | Won 32-17  |
| at Stoneham   | Won 47-30  |
|               | Won 34-6   |

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# Volleyball team falls short of post-season goal

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WILMINGTON - After missing out on one of its main goals for the season, the Wilmington High girls' volleyball team earned a consolation prize of sorts with back-to-back victories over Triton Regional and Stoneham.

The latter two decisions gave the Wildcats eight wins for the season, one more than last year's team.

The bad news is Wilmington now has 11 losses, one too many to get into the postseason. That automatically becomes the goal for next year's Wildcats.

The Wildcats were able to grind out a really tough 3-0 victory over the Stoneham Spartans, 25-23, 25-19, 25-23, Tuesday evening at SHS Gym.

"Stoneham was another tough win for the girls; they got to experience the true ebb and flow of the game," said Wilmington coach Bruce Shainwald. "At some points, they were ahead, and at other times, they were behind and working to catch up. In the end, they were able to come away with a three-set victory."

Stoneham had improved since the two teams' first meeting and the Spartans were running down more attacks that in the previous match, which Wilmington also won. Fortunately, the Wildcats were able to adjust and prevail in the end.

"Essentially it came down to who was going to make fewer errors," said Shainwald. "Sometimes, at every level, in every sport, it comes down whoever can grind it out. Over the last two matches, it was good to see the team learn that important lesson."

The Wildcats' strength is their serving and in the two latest wins they were able to serve the ball in and keep Triton and Stoneham out of system.

Wilmington was able to serve 92 percent against Stoneham with 13 percent of those for aces. Brittany Cimaglia, Maeve Cadogan, and Emily Hill all served 100 percent. Lauren Field and Gabby Bond were able to serve over 90 percent.

Morgan Bresnahan continued to be the Wildcats' go-

to hitter on the outside, with seven kills against only two errors.

"Morgan continues to grow her arsenal of attacks, so that she is not just relying on crushing the ball every time," said Shainwald. "She did a great job of using other kinds of attacks, such as tips and rolls for kills."

Toni Kieran and Hill did a great job of passing free balls that Stoneham gave to Wilmington, so that the Wildcats could run an offense and get kills off of them."

On Monday, the Wildcats ended their six-game losing streak at Triton High Gym, 25-20, 25-17, 25-17.

The hangover from the struggles of the previous two weeks showed up early in this one, as Wilmington trailed by as many as nine points twice (5-14 and 7-16) in the first set. This against a team the Wildcats steam-rolled in the season opener.

"They got a lot better," said Shainwald, of Triton's play. "I was preparing the girls for a lot of free balls, but they were doing things that my team wasn't doing. They were passing, they were setting, they were hitting and we were still waiting for them to give us free balls."

Wilmington turned it around with Gabby Bond providing the serving for nine straight points during a 10-0 run that gave the Wildcats a 17-16 lead. A Maeve Cadogan block got them within one and a Morgan Bresnahan kill tied it at 16-16. Triton came back to take a 19-17 lead before Antonia Kieran served during a 6-0 run that put Wilmington ahead to stay. Bresnahan would soon provide the kill that gave Wilmington the set, 25-20.

"We just had to settle down and play our game," said Shainwald. "We were making mistakes and that was what that nine-point difference was. They (Wildcats) started playing better. They started hitting smarter, they started passing off the net - which is what I had asked for - they started setting the ball off the net and giving our hitters a chance to hit."

Wilmington cruised through the second set but then fell behind in the third set, prompting another timeout from Shainwald.



The 2017 WHS Varsity Volleyball team includes front row from left: Gianna Brunetto, Lauren Field, Morgan Bresnahan, Antonia Kieran and Gabriella Bond; back row from left, Emily Hill, Savannah Andersen, Maeve Cadogan, Brittany Cimaglia, and Raegan Sweeney. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com)

"I called the timeout (when we were losing 8-4) because they were making the same mistake three times in a row - passing into the net," he said. "Let's settle down, let's refocus, let's make good passes, good sets, let's get back to playing our game."

Bresnahan again led the way as the Wildcats at the net with a few more of her 12 kills on the day, while Savannah Andersen held serve during a 6-0 run that put Wilmington back in control.

In this match, the team served for an amazing 95 percent, with every girl who served hitting at 85 percent of their serves. Lauren

Field, Andersen, and Britt Cimaglia served 100 percent, while Gabby Bond and Bresnahan served at least 90 percent.

The last game of the six-game losing streak was the toughest to take as Wakefield ousted the Wildcats from tourney contention and dashed their dream of playing in November with a 3-0 victory.

"The girls put so much pressure on themselves," said Shainwald. "I didn't help either when I said, 'The season is on the line here.' They just played tight and they were making a lot of mistakes. I wasn't able to get them to correct those

mistakes."

It was also Senior Night and the hype of the night seemed to catch up with the Wildcats at the worst possible time. The scores were 23-25, 18-25, 11-25.

The Lady Warriors showed

their improvement from the first meeting in a 25-23, 25-18, 25-11 triumph.

Wilmington will close out its season on Thursday (5:30 p.m.) when Watertown plays host to the Wildcats at Melrose Middle School Gym.

## Golfers end season at D2 Sectionals

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GEORGETOWN -- After qualifying for the post season with a second place finish in the Middlesex League Freedom Division, six members of the Wilmington High Golf team traveled to Black Swan Country Club in Georgetown on Monday to compete in the Division 2 North Sectional Tournament.

Senior Billy McEvoy led the way for the Wildcats on the day, shooting a 79, a mark which left him just two strokes shy of moving on to the individual state tournament.

The top four scores for each team are figured into the final score, and for Wilmington that included seniors Dan Gracia, Jack Boyle and Ben Maynard, each of who shot 88's over the 18-hole course.

Wilmington coach Steve Lynch was pleased with McEvoy's score, but had hoped for somewhat better scores from his next three players. However, he understood why it may have been difficult for his players to play quite as well as they, or he, are accustomed to.

"You are going against the best of the best in Division 2 in that tournament, so you're seeing golf at an entirely different level," Lynch said. "It is also for the players, because you are playing in front of big

crowds, between parents, people from the state and other players all watching. It can be a little intimidating if you are not used to that."

While the finish may not have been exactly what the Wildcats were looking for, the season as a whole must be considered a success, with the team qualifying for the post season for the second time in the past 12 seasons under Lynch's direction.

"It is a fairly gratifying season," Lynch said. "For us to be able to qualify for the post season is a nice accomplishment, especially in a league like ours that has so many talented team. Reading, Belmont and Winchester were all 10-1 this season, so if you can make the tournament after facing teams like that all season, it is a nice accomplishment."

The task may be a little more difficult for Lynch and the Wildcats next season, as they will lose 11 seniors off of this year's squad, saying goodbye to co-captains McEvoy, Gracia and Jake Fulkerson, along with Boyle, Maynard, Bobby Lord, Nolan Kane, Kyle Bolis, Kevin O'Donnell and Carl Beatrice.

"It is like having a massive retirement," Lynch said. "They have been with me for four years and it has been great to see them develop over the past four years. It was a good group."

Lynch will be looking for younger players like juniors Chris Stokes, Mike Fiorenza and Gavin Kelsey, along with sophomore Zach Kincaid and freshman Colin Gates to step up next season.

"(The seniors) are going to leave a big void, but the good news is that it will give the opportunity for our younger players and even eighth graders who are coming to the school next year, to work hard over the summer to improve their games."

"The opportunity was not really there this year for our younger players because we had so many seniors, but next year the opportunity will be there."



Above, Wilmington High's Dan Gracia teeing off the fourth hole and below, Bobby Lord (left) and Zack Kincaid await their turn during an earlier season golf match played at the Hillview Country Club. (photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).



## Where's the Action?

| Day                           | Date       | Sport             | Opponent            | Time    |
|-------------------------------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------|
| <b>Wilmington High Sports</b> |            |                   |                     |         |
| Thursday                      | October 26 | V Girls Soccer    | vs Watertown        | 3:45 pm |
| Thursday                      | October 26 | V Volleyball      | vs Watertown at MMS | 5:30 pm |
| Thursday                      | October 26 | V Boys Soccer     | at Watertown        | 7:00 pm |
| Friday                        | October 27 | V Field Hockey    | at Watertown        | 3:45 pm |
| Monday                        | October 30 | V Girls Soccer    | vs Tewksbury        | 6:00 pm |
| Monday                        | October 30 | B/G Cross-Country | ML Meet at WCC      | TBA     |

|                              |            |                   |                   |         |
|------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|
| <b>Shawsheen Tech Sports</b> |            |                   |                   |         |
| Thursday                     | October 26 | V Volleyball      | vs Austin Prep    | 4:00 pm |
| Friday                       | October 27 | V Girls Soccer    | vs Burlington     | 4:00 pm |
| Saturday                     | October 28 | B/G Cross Country | CAC Championships | TBA     |
| Monday                       | October 30 | V Boys Soccer     | at Mystic Valley  | 4:00 pm |



# McFall nets game winner to lift Salem State past MCLA

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Salem State sophomore midfielder Casey McFall scored in the 80th minute to lift the Vikings over the MCLA Trailblazers 1-0 in MASCAC action on Saturday afternoon. With the win, the Vikings improve to 9-5-1 overall and sit at 4-2 in the league.



CASEY MCFALL

On McFall's game winner, the Vikings were pressuring deep in the MCLA zone when they forced a Trailblazer turnover. The ball came right to McFall, who after a good one touch, drilled a shot into the left corner for her eighth goal of the season and a 1-0 lead for the Vikings.

McFall's teammate, junior midfielder Kaitlyn Curley has also been a huge part of

Vikings success (9-5-2) this season, having started all 15 games. Her 1,353 minutes played are second most on the team.

Southern Vermont College freshman Jayne Wierzbicki has collected her second New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) Women's Soccer Rookie of the Week award as she picked up the honor for the period ending October 15, 2017. Wierzbicki had previously collected the award on October 2.

Wierzbicki played a huge part in SVC's stellar week as she tallied five points through the Mountaineers' two games. She started it with a pair of goals at Mitchell College on Monday to help the team tie its program record of most-consecutive wins (six - 1996). She then played a perfect pass to set up a goal by sophomore teammate Taylor Mallett during the Mountaineers' 1-1 tie against Elms College on Saturday; that draw with EC tied SVC's streak for the most consecutive games without a loss (seven-1996). Curry College senior midfielder and captain Cassie Grasso has started every game for Colonels this season, and has four goals and three assists. Her 11 points lead the Colonels in scoring.

Lenoir Rhyne freshman midfielder Stephanie Figueiredo had a goal for

the Bears in their 2-0 win over Coker last Wednesday. It was the third goal of the season for Figueiredo, to go along with one assist, and her seven points on the season are fourth most on the team.

Bridgewater State sophomore goalie Kellie Souza played the second half of the Bears 7-0 win over Mass Maritime last Friday. It was Souza's third game of the season for the Bears, who improved their record to 10-5 with the win.

Brandeis University freshman midfielder Daria Bakhtiari and the rest of her Judges teammates continued their great season this past week, improving to 11-2-3 on the year with a win over Westfield last Wednesday and a tie with Elms last Saturday. Bakhtiari has started 15 of the Judges 16 games on the season.

Worcester State sophomore defender Christina Spinos and the rest of the Lancers defensive crew had another big week, posting two consecutive shutouts, over Salem State by a score of 2-0 on October 14, and 3-0 over Framingham State this past Saturday. Spinos and the 9-4-2 Lancers now have eight shutouts on the season.

Spinos' teammate, senior forward and captain Ashleigh Howland, also continues to play well for the Lancers during their

impressive season, starting 14 of the team's 15 games on the season, and helping to spark the offense in the win over Framingham State with three shots on net.

Plymouth State senior defender and captain Adrianna Kippenberger continued her fine season last week, helping the Panthers to wins over New England College (3-0) and Southern Maine (3-2). Kippenberger has now played in 12 of 14 games this season for the Panthers.

On the Men's Soccer side at Worcester State, junior midfielder Ryan Kinsella returned to the Lancers starting lineup on Saturday, and helped lead the Lancers to a 3-0 victory to improve their record on the season to 9-6 overall and 4-2 in the MASCAC.

Wentworth freshman midfielder Nick Haddad saw action in his third game of the season on Saturday during the Leopards 6-1 win over Eastern Nazarene. Wentworth has lost just once in their last six games, and are now 8-7-2 on the season.

## FIELD HOCKEY

WPI sophomore forward Bridget Sullivan has been a big part of the Engineers success this season, playing in all 14 games for the team, helping to lead them to a 9-5 record to this point.

Sullivan has scored three goals on the season.

Sullivan's teammate, senior midfielder Amanda Richards also continued her fine season this past week, scoring a goal in the Engineers 6-0 win over Anna Maria last Thursday. It was Richards third goal of the season, to go along with four assists, and her ten points on the season are third most on the team.

Rivier University sophomore midfielder Jaclyn Fraser had a goal for the Raiders in their 7-2 loss to Castleton on Sunday. It was the second goal of the season for Fraser, who has started all 15 games for the team this season.

Bridgewater State senior defender Katherine McKenna had a goal for the Bears in their 5-2 win over Western Connecticut State on October 14. It was the first goal of the season for McKenna, who also has three assists on the year. McKenna has started all 15 games for the Bears.

## CROSS-COUNTRY

Worcester State sophomore Elisabeth Olson finished 131st in a field of 273 runners as the Lancers finished in 12th place in a field of 21 teams at the Connecticut College Invitational on October 14. Olson finished the 6K course in a time of

25:29.3.

## ICE HOCKEY

St. Lawrence senior defenseman Michelle Alonardo has started and played in three of six games for the Division 1 Saints this season, helping them to a 2-2-2 record. Alonardo enters her senior season with the sixth ranked Saints having played in 71 games in her career.

SUNY Plattsburgh junior Cam Owens scored the first



CAM OWENS

goal of the game for the Cardinals, as he and his teammates downed Skidmore in an exhibition game on Saturday night. The Cardinals officially open their season this Saturday night when they host SUNY Canton in Plattsburgh.

# Harlem Globetrotters coming to Tsongas Arena in February

The Harlem Globetrotters known for their one-of-a-kind family entertainment will bring their 2018 World Tour to the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell on Sunday, February 18 at 1:00pm to take on their long-time adversaries the Washington

Generals.

The Globetrotters will face a revamped Washington Generals team which recently launched a more competitive profile, making an appearance in The Basketball Tournament over the summer. The tourna-

ment-tested team is looking to snap a 47-year losing streak against their world famous rivals during their 2018 tour.

With a star-studded roster featuring Big Easy Lofton, Ant Atkinson, Hi-Lite Bruton, Thunder Law, Bull-

Bullard and Cheese Chisholm - plus female stars TNT Lister, Ace Jackson and Hoops Green - the Globetrotters' show is unrivaled in the world of family entertainment. Their game at the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell will showcase

incredible ball handling wizardry, rim-rattling dunks, trick shots, hilarious comedy and unequaled fan interaction. After the game, Globetrotter stars will sign autographs and take photos with fans.

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# Wildcats take five points and now have ten wins

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WILMINGTON - It was another strong week of play for the Wilmington High School Field Hockey team. The Wildcats defeated Burlington 5-1 last Wednesday, defeated Wakefield 2-1 on Friday and then ended in a 2-2 tie with Danvers on Monday night.

The 2-0-1 week puts Wilmington at 10-3-3 overall. The team has two games left with Stoneham on Wednesday with results not known as of presstime and then Watertown on the road on Friday.

Head Coach Leanne Ebert is hoping the team can steal another win or two before the state tournament starts next week.

Before Monday's tie, it appeared as if Wilmington would be the No. 6 seed in the Division 2 North Sectional tournament with possibly Manchester-Essex, Watertown, Swampscott, Marblehead and Triton Regional ahead.

The bracket will once again be loaded with those aforementioned teams, as well as Beverly, Gloucester, Lynnfield, Pentucket, Newburyport and Tewksbury already qualifying, and Ipswich and Rockport on the verge.

"I am really excited (about our record)," said Ebert. "I've been telling the kids that the most wins we've had in the regular season in my six years is ten. Anything we win from here on out is a personal goal. That's exciting and something to shoot for, plus the more wins we have in the regular season, the better seed we will get come tournament time."

In the 5-1 win over Burlington, Danielle Silva, Taeya Peroni, Avery Anderson, Molly Foley and Jill Miele scored one goal each, while Miele picked up three assists and Gianna Zaccagnini had one.

Goalie April Haines made 3 saves for the win.

In the win over Wakefield, the Warriors had tied the game up at 1-1 and just shy of three minutes later, Miele took a pass from Anderson and rifled a shot to the low left corner for the game winner. Up until that goal, Wilmington seemed a little off in this game.

"We just seemed slightly disorganized but we were able to pull it together in the intricate parts of the game. A win is a win though," said Ebert.

In the first half, Silva scored giving the 'Cats the 1-0 lead.

Monday night's non-league game was also Sr. Night.

"It was a beautiful night for senior night as the weather cooperated," said Ebert. "Mia ('O'Connell) sang the National Anthem on her birthday and then she played phenomenal. Lauren D'Angelo also had an exceptional game."

Peroni gave Wilmington the 1-0 lead and then Danvers countered. Miele scored with less than 11 minutes left in the first half only to see the Falcons tie it back up just 13 minutes into the second half.

Neither team could score thereafter.

Before the game, the ten seniors including captains Mia O'Connell, Danielle Silva and Jill Miele, as well as Avery Anderson, Jacqueline Champoux, Taeya Peroni, Amanda Cox, Samantha L'Esperance, Lauren D'Angelo and Megan Thomas were all recognized for playing in their final regular season home game.

"We have ten seniors on this year's team," said Ebert. "So many of the girls are truly friends. They hang out all of the time and even those that don't hang out all of the time, do come field hockey season by chance with all of the practices, team dinners and stuff like that."

"It's just a lot of fun to be around them in general because they enjoy hanging out with each other and supporting each other."



Before Monday night's game, the WHS Field Hockey team had a guest visitor as Jennifer DelNinno, who previously held the scoring record from 1988, met the team and Jill Miele, the senior captain who broke her record. The team includes front row from left: Avery Anderson, Lauren D'Angelo, Danielle Silva, Samantha L'Esperance, Mia O'Connell and Taeya Peroni; Back row from left: Rebecca Ganley, April Haines, Emily Gear, Jacqueline Champoux, Jill Miele, (DelNinno), Megan Thomas, Amanda Cox, Molly Foley and Meghan Canale. Missing from photo: Dianna Riley, Gianna Zaccagnini and Ryan Bailey. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

# Miele breaks all-time scoring record

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Hall of Famers Judy O'Connell and Gina Martinello, DelNinno was the co-captain along with Jill Martyn. The team started off 10-0 and finished 13-0-1 in the regular season. In the tournament, the Wildcats received a first round bye, before beating Ipswich, 1-0, in a four-overtime shoot-out win, before falling to Triton 1-0.

"I remember losing to Triton and I remember one girl on their team and her

name was Buffy Cochrane," said DelNinno with a laugh.

She was then asked what she specifically remembers from her playing days.

"I just remember loving the game. I always had a competitive spirit about me. I loved (Coach Jan) Cassidy. She was the best. I remember little things - little team things, how well we all got along and did things together. Some of my best friends today were on those teams and that's kind of neat."

On Monday, DelNinno was nice enough to take a trip to WHS and meet Miele and the rest of the team.

"After we told the team why Jen was there, they seemed a bit confused," said Ebert. "Some said 'wait, so she came here because Jill broke her record'? I honestly think some were thinking 'why would she do that'? I think it just goes to show what kind of person Jen is. Years later removed from the program and no longer

living in town, she took the time to be a part of a young players success that she doesn't even know."

That person she didn't even know, certainly appreciated it all.

"She's wicked nice," said Miele of DelNinno. "We talked a little bit. Jokingly, I apologized for breaking her record but she was so nice about it. I think she was glad to see it get broken."

# WHS Boys Soccer wins three Second half surge a little too late

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WILMINGTON - Earlier this month, the Wilmington High School Boys' Soccer team lost a key Middlesex League Freedom Division game to Watertown, giving up two goals in the final few minutes for the 2-1 loss. At the time, head coach Steve Scanlon said that loss was fatal as the team fell to 1-5-2. He knew the hill to climb to reach state tournament play was too steep.

However, the 'Cats rallied back in the last few weeks and played extremely well. In fact the team won three matches this week beating Wakefield 3-0, Bishop Fenwick 5-2 and Stoneham 2-0. Those three wins puts the team at 6-9-2 overall. Wilmington has one game left on the schedule against the same Watertown team on Thursday. Had they defeated the Red Raiders the first time around, the second match-up would have been for a tournament berth.

"We're playing a lot better, we have turned the corner but it's a little too late," said Scanlon. "We strung some wins together, we scored some goals and we tightened up defensively. But the earlier games that we should have won like Watertown, Billerica and Woburn - giving up real late goals - ended up costing us."

Not getting into the state tournament now for the third straight season is certainly disappointing and alarming.

"We're disappointed that we didn't play better earlier in the season, but we were young and we had a lot of new kids to the line-up," said Scanlon. "I think inexperience played a big factor with the mistakes that we made."

In this league, the training is huge. I don't know when the Wilmington kids are going to understand that. You got to get your bodies prepared for the season."

In the 3-0 win over Wakefield, Jason Spizuoco had a goal and an assist, while Joe Rebeiro and Mark Rogomentich had single tallies. Joe Mirabella and Chris Grecco had one assist each, while goalie Jon Sears made nine saves for the shut out.

In the win over Fenwick, Diego Garcia scored three goals, Aiden McGrath had the other two, while Grecco picked up an assist.

On Tuesday night, part of the Kick Cancer Fundraising Doubleheader, McGrath and Spizuoco had single goals with assists going to Riley Zaya and Rogomentich. Andrew Days made seven saves to earn the shut out.

"Lately we having been playing good, we got the results we wanted and the kids started to get confident with winning which all adds up," said Scanlon. "We have tightened things up defensively, we have been moving the ball much better but finishing (scoring chances) still has been a problem. The first time we played (Stoneham) we tied them, and tonight felt like the same kind of game, but I thought we did a much better job running the '18 yard box (to create more scoring chances) and we're not pulling up shooting from 35 yards out."

Thursday will mark the end of the season, as well as the end of the careers of eight seniors including captains Jon Sears, Joe Mirabella and Riley Zaya as well as Joe Rebeiro, Sean Braz, Alec Masiello, Jason Spizuoco and Chris Grecco.



Above are the members of the WHS Boys Varsity Soccer team including front row from left: Alec Masiello, Christopher Grecco, Joseph Mirabella, Jonathan Sears, Riley Zaya, Joseph Ribeiro and Jason Spizuoco; Second row from left: Kyle Collins, Owen Surette, Ankur Neogi, Mark Rogomentich, Noah Ferrer, a and Sean Braz; back row from left: Marcus Barnes, Andrew Days, Troy Riekstins, Diego Garcia, Justin Kahlman, Cameron Martin, Aidan McGrath, Christopher Spinazola, and Kevin Souza.

Below are the senior members including: front row from left, tri-captains Riley Zaya, Jonathan Sears and Joseph Mirabella and back row from left: Alec Masiello, Sean Braz, Christopher Grecco, Jason Spizuoco and Joseph Ribeiro. (photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).





## Qualifies for USA Triathlon Championships

## An incredible journey for Gamst

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TEWKSBURY -- "Believe in yourself!"

Three simple words, but for Larry Gamst they have become words to live by in recent years.

Those who know Gamst have probably heard him use those words of encouragement at some point, and with good reason, as Gamst knows whereof he speaks. He is, in fact living proof that if you believe in yourself and work hard enough for something, you can indeed make it happen.

The Larry Gamst of today is a truly outstanding athlete, a man who just in the past year alone has competed in several triathlons, run a personal best in both the Boston Marathon and Bay State Half Marathon, and most recently, qualified for the 2018 USA Triathlon Olympic Distance National Championship, which will be held on August 11, 2018, in Cleveland, Ohio. All the while, he has inspired countless others to follow their dreams by following his message of "Believe in yourself."

But to truly understand what Gamst means when he says these words, whether it be to a friend or to one of the many groups that he now speaks in front of, you have to understand where Gamst was in his life just four short years ago, and then see where he is now.

Just over four years ago, Gamst was struggling with alcoholism and poor health, as the former high school athlete at Malden Catholic had seen his once fit body reach over 290 pounds, with his life almost as out of control as his weight was. Of course, at the time Gamst was unable to see just how far out of control he actually was.

"I was a really heavy

drinker and my lifestyle was just getting out of control," Gamst said. "When you are caught up in that kind of lifestyle, you don't even realize just how bad things are. But I got myself into a recovery program, and once I got a little bit of sobriety and got on a healthier path, I never looked back."

He never looked back, but moving forward was not easy. He started with some very slow, very short runs, before finally moving up to running a 5K with some friends. One 5K led to another, which led to longer distance races, which led to even longer distance races, including his first Boston Marathon in 2016, which he finished in a time of 5:12:49. This eventually led him to attempt a pair of triathlons in 2016. To say his first couple of attempts did not go well would be an understatement.

Having never been much of a swimmer, and not owning his own bike, Gamst was certainly fighting the odds when he attempted the Boston Triathlon in June of 2016, and it showed, as he was disqualified during the 10K run portion of the event.

"I was so nervous about the swim that I ran the wrong route and I got disqualified," Gamst recalled.

His second attempt, at the Cranberry Tri-Fest a few weeks later, did not go much better, as nearly finished in last place. But remember "Believe in yourself" is more than just words, it is a way of life for Gamst, so he dedicated himself to learning how to prepare for a triathlon.

"I decided after that, that I loved the sport, so I was going to work hard to learn how to swim and bike," Gamst said. "I went back the next year to the Boston Triathlon and the results were much different."

Once again, an understatement.

Returning to the scene of the crime, so to speak at the 2017 Boston Triathlon on July 30, Gamst not only finished the race, which included a 10K run, a 35K bike ride and a 1.5K swim, but he did so in spectacular fashion. Putting any bad memories behind him, Gamst finished second among athletes of all ages in the Clydesdale Division, losing out on first place to a 20-something-year-old, but beating all other comers.

It was more of the same for Gamst in his second running of the Cranberry Tri-Fest, where he finished third.

"Once again, I lost to a couple of 20-year olds, including one of the same guys I had lost to in Boston," Gamst said.

Still, Gamst pushed himself further and further, completing his first Ironman 70.3 at the Ironman Maine, completing the grueling course which included a 1.2 mile open ocean swim, a 56-mile bike ride on rolling hills and a 13.1 mile run, in a time of 6:08:59, placing him tenth in his division.

Gamst credits much of his success in the triathlons and in the ironman to the support he has received since joining the Trifury Triathlon Club late in 2016.

"They have been extremely helpful to me," Gamst said. "They do an open water swim at Silver Lake, which was a huge help to me to practice in open water. But it is not just that. There is a lot of camaraderie in Trifury. When someone new comes along, they all try to help out. There are a lot of really great athletes in Trifury, so I tried to sort of mirror them and that helped me."

Almost lost along the way in Gamst's triathlon and ironman exploits was that he finished his second Boston Marathon in April, cutting his time to a new

personal best of 4:47:31.

More recently, back on October 1, he took first place in the Clydesdale Division of the Harwich Cranberry Harvest Half Marathon, finishing in a then personal best time of 1:51:09. The first place finish will last a lifetime, but the personal best time did not last long, as Gamst shattered that mark this past weekend, with a time of 1:48:05 in the Bay State Half Marathon.

"That was great," Gamst said. "Last year I ran it and did it in 1:54:09, which was the first time I had every broken two hours. My goal this year was to get into the one forties, so to finish in 1:48 was great. I was so happy to be able to do it."

The two personal best times at the Cranberry Half Marathon and the Bay State Half Marathon occurred almost to the day of the fourth anniversary of his sobriety. It has been a remarkable year of accomplishments for Gamst, so much so that it is hard for him to pick out one great race or memory which stands above all the rest.

"I would say that 2017 has been a hell of a year," Gamst said when asked to pick on race that stood out above all others. "It started with a personal best at the Boston Marathon and then second at the Boston Triathlon and third in Cranberry Tri, and then of course the ironman in Maine. The best may have been the Boston Triathlon, but they were all great."

The Boston Triathlon probably holds special significance, because it is the race which qualified him for the 2018 USA Triathlon Olympic National Championship in Cleveland. There is a lot of time, and many more races between now and August of 2018, when the national championship takes place, but Gamst is already looking



Tewksbury resident Larry Gamst, also very well known in Wilmington, has qualified for the 2018 USA Triathlon Distance National Championships to be held in Ohio. (courtesy photo).

ing forward to it.

"I am pretty pumped about it," Gamst said. "It's not bad for a guy who couldn't swim a year ago, and didn't own his own bike until 2017."

Gamst knows he could not have accomplished what he did without believing in himself, but he also knows he could not have done it without the support of those closest to him, including his wife Sheila whom he married in June.

"She has been my rock," Gamst said. "We met about three years ago when I was about one year sober and she believed in me when others would not. I also got great support from my family. They were instrumental in my recovery, and they

never gave up on me. Others did, of course, but the most important thing was that Gamst never gave up on himself."

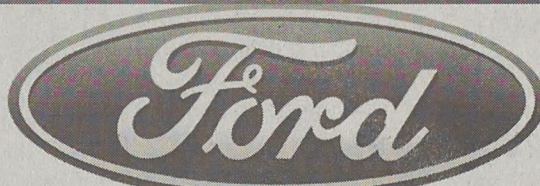
"When I told people I was going to start running, some people laughed," Gamst said. "And when I started doing triathlons, not everyone was on board with that either, but I just told myself that it doesn't matter what other people think. The only person I had to prove anything to was myself. It didn't matter what other people thought."

"I just kept believing that I could do it, and kept setting goals for myself. No matter how bad things get, when you believe in yourself, you can accomplish anything."

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# Shawsheen Football team captures CAC Title

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DANVERS -- Leading up to a late-season football clash pitting Shawsheen Tech against the Essex Tech Hawks, there was a degree of pre-game chatter that the end result was a foregone conclusion, with the Rams predicted to effortlessly eclipse their winless opponent.

While Shawsheen did, in fact, win the game, it certainly wasn't the easy ride many anticipated.

Scoreless through the first half, the Rams emerged from the break with renewed purpose and finally put together a scoring drive to take a lead they would not relinquish. Shawsheen would add insurance midway through the fourth quarter to salt it away, 13-0, and cement the CAC championship title.

On five straight wins, Shawsheen has now improved to 5-2 overall and in doing so, locked in home field advantage for the opening tilt of the upcoming playoffs.

"That was a great job by the boys, particularly in the second half" said Shawsheen Coach Al Costabile. "We got off to a slow start but that's a compliment to Essex Tech. They came to play and they played hard. Nothing came easy tonight."

"I just think they wanted it more," said Essex Tech Coach Dan Connors. "Shawsheen was playing with a sense of urgency because they're in a playoff mode. All the pressure was on them and eventually, their intensity won out."

At the outset, Essex Tech certainly didn't look like a winless program. After dispensing with senior night presentations, the combatants got down to the business of football and within three snaps, the Hawks had penetrated into Shawsheen territory. Running with

authority was tailback Alec Bolstad, who was tasked with the lion's share of the Hawks offense and rushed the ball on all but 12 of his team's 38 offensive plays. The opening drive stalled on the Rams 35 and soon came to a halt when QB Hunter Lane fell short on a 4th-and-2 keeper.

The Rams were handcuffed on their first possession, as well, running Shawn Powderly (20-87) five times consecutively. He enjoyed a 17-yard rush on his first carry of the night but the Hawks quickly clamped down on the junior tailback and soon reclaimed the ball on downs.

After trading three-and-outs, Essex Tech put together a promising drive early in the second quarter by marching from their own 47 to the Shawsheen 5 on a dozen plays. Led by Edwin Ortiz, who knocked Bolstad for a substantial loss, and Anthony Medeiros, who stopped him in his tracks for a no gainer, the tenacious Rams defense erased the threat and again took over on downs.

To this juncture, neither team had thrown the ball to any degree. Essex QB Lane, in fact, only tried a pair of passes for the entire game, both incomplete. Sughrue (14-21 for 158-yards) was also limited until late in the half, when the senior QB began to hit his targets. He completed 4-of-6 attempts on one particular series, including a long 34-yard toss to Brendan Studley, and eventually gained the red zone. But like several earlier Shawsheen possessions, this too, fell shy on a fourth-and-short.

"This was definitely our best defensive effort of the year," said Connors. "They executed our game plan to perfection. Priority One was to isolate their great receiver, Sam Baker. That's a really hard thing to do but I'm happy with the effort."



The local residents on the Shawsheen Tech Cheerleading team includes: kneeling Tori Fuller, Jessica Cacciola, Rose Knott, and Karissa Kakleas, all of Tewksbury; and back row from left, Hannah Leydon, Lilly Abraham and Olivia Leeds of Tewksbury, and then Tori Jensen of Wilmington. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

Essex Tech proved masterful at ball control and avoiding turnovers, despite a number of bone-jarring hits by the Rams defense.

"They had great ball control on offense in the first half," said Costabile of his opponent. "They didn't score but effectively kept it out of our hands and took big chunks off the clock."

When play resumed for the second half, the pattern finally changed for the Rams when Sughrue and company engineered a successful scoring drive, capped with a 15-yard TD throw to Josiah Martinez. Sughrue, a flawless 5-of-5 on the series, deserved praise for evading pressure in his backfield long enough for Martinez to get open in the end zone.

Late in the third quarter, Essex Tech once again reached the red zone, thanks to some exceptional running from Bolstad (26-109). The senior workhorse carried six straight times, including a 41-yarder - the long offensive play of the night. But on a 4th-and-5 from the 19, Omar Eldaly wrapped him up for a no-gainer, terminating the drive and preserving the Rams 7-0 lead.

Shawsheen added insurance on a marathon, 14-play series, polished off with a 6-yard Powderly rush. The Rams failed to convert a two-point attempt and led 13-0 with 7:45 left in the game. Ample time for a rally, but Essex Tech had little to offer in the way of offense down the stretch.

"I thought Cody Sughrue did an awesome job on the second scoring drive," said Costabile. "Sam Baker, who has a great set of hands, made a number of clutch catches and Powderly never quit on a run, gaining an extra yard or two."

## Division 6 North

1. Hamilton-Wenham (7-0)
2. Stoneham (5-2)
3. Shawsheen Tech (5-2)
4. Gr. Lowell (5-2)
5. Arlington Catholic (4-3)
6. Whittier Tech (5-2)
7. Ipswich (4-3)
8. Salem (4-3)

**Quarterfinal Round**  
Friday, October 27  
Gm 3: Ipswich at Stoneham, 7 pm  
Gm 4: Whittier Tech at Shawsheen, 7 pm  
**Saturday, October 28**  
Gm 1: Salem at Hamilton-Wenham, 1:30 pm  
Gm 2: Arlington Catholic at Gr. Lowell, 1:30 pm  
**Semi-Final Round, TBA**  
Gm 5: Game 1 vs Game 2  
Gm 6: Game 3 vs Game 4  
**Final, TBA**  
Gm 7: Game 5 vs Game 6

## Shawsheen Football Box Scores

### SHAWSHEEN TECH 13, ESSEX TECH 0

|                      |   |   |   |   |     |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Shawsheen Tech (5-2) | 0 | 0 | 7 | 6 | -13 |
| Essex Tech (0-7)     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -0  |

SH: Josiah Martinez 15 pass from Cody Sughrue (Shawn Powderly kick)  
SH: Powderly 6 run (conversion failed)

|                 | SH      | ET     |
|-----------------|---------|--------|
| First Downs     | 15      | 8      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 28-113  | 36-139 |
| Passing-Att-Int | 14-21-0 | 0-2-0  |
| Passing Yards   | 158     | 0      |
| Total Yards     | 271     | 139    |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0     | 0-0    |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-28    | 2-30   |

#### Individual Statistics

Rushing - ST, Shawn Powderly 20-87, Cody Sughrue 7-21, Josiah Martinez 1-5; ET, Alec Bolstad 26-109, Hunter Lane 5-19, Manny Alves 2-8, Mason White 1-6, Nick Sauvegeau 1-1, RJ Mahar 1-(-4).

Passing - ST, Cody Sughrue 14-for-21, 158 yards, 1 TD, 0 INTs; ET, Hunter Lane 0-for-2, 0 yards.

Receiving - ST, Sam Baker 4-63, Brendan Studley 3-50, Josiah Martinez 2-23, Ryan Quinones 2-15, Shawn Powderly 3-7.

### SHAWSHEEN TECH 20, GREATER LAWRENCE 17

|                        |   |    |   |   |     |
|------------------------|---|----|---|---|-----|
| *From Week 6           |   |    |   |   |     |
| Greater Lawrence (3-3) | 0 | 10 | 0 | 7 | -17 |
| Shawsheen (4-2)        | 7 | 6  | 0 | 7 | -20 |

SH Sam Baker 93 kickoff return (Shawn Powderly kick)  
SH Shawn Powderly 2 run (pass failed)  
GR Franklin Morales 22 Field Goal  
GR: Ader Mezidor 3 run (Morales kick)  
SH: Shawn Powderly 5 run (Powderly kick)  
GR: David White 1 run (Morales kick)

|                  | Team Stats | ST    |
|------------------|------------|-------|
| First Downs:     | 12         | 10    |
| Rushes/Yards:    | 39-121     | 27-93 |
| Pass-Att-Int:    | 6-9-0      | 4-8-2 |
| Passing Yards:   | 71         | 118   |
| Total Yards:     | 192        | 211   |
| Fumbles-lost:    | 0-0        | 0-0   |
| Penalties-yards: | 5-50       | 5-50  |

#### Individual Stats

Passing: GR, Marc Travers 5-6-0, 66 yards, Jose Caceres 1-3-0, 5 yards; SH, Cody Sughrue 4-8-2, 118 yards.

Rushing: GR, Ader Mezidor 18-50, 1 TD, David White 14-49, 1 TD, Donnie Croteau 2-14, Jose Caceres 2-5, Marc Travers 3-3; SH, Shawn Powderly 18-87, 2 TD's, Sam Baker 4-12, Omar Eldaly 1-3, Marc Companschi 2-1, Cody Sughrue 2 - (-10).

Receiving: GR, Luis Torres 2-46, Steven Polanco 2-17, Donnie Croteau 1-5, Ader Mezidor 1-3; SH, Sam Baker 2-50, Ryan Quinones 1-49, Josiah Martinez 1-19.

### Shawsheen Season Stats Thru Week 7

| Shawsheen | Score by Quarters | Opponents  |
|-----------|-------------------|------------|
|           | 48 0 15 35        | 14 56 6 37 |
|           |                   | 14 8 -182  |

#### Team Stats

| ST               | Opp     |
|------------------|---------|
| First Downs:     | 65      |
| Rushes/Yards:    | 219-834 |
| Pass-Att-Int:    | 44-86-2 |
| Passing Yards:   | 653     |
| Total Yards:     | 1,487   |
| Fumbles-lost:    | 8-7     |
| Penalties-yards: | 25-235  |

#### Individual Stats

Passing: Cody Sughrue 25-39-2, 469 yards, 4 TDs; C.J. Zemetres 16-46-6, 250 yards, 3 TD's. Rushing: Shawn Powderly 94-565, 8 TD's; Sam Baker 39-251, 4 TD's; Stephan Saint-Juste 2-93, 2 TD's; Omar Eldaly 7-67, 1 TD; Cody Sughrue 14-38; Chris Simard 4-33; Mark Companschi 9-33; Troy Tamis 3-32; Connor Rich 2-22; Matt Cook 6-17, 1TD; Shane Stairs 4-11, 1 TD; Pat O'Leary 1-5, Josiah Martinez 1-5.

Receiving: Sam Baker 23-383 3 TD's; Ryan Quinones 8-163, 3 TD's; Brandon Studley 4-78; Chris Lucas 3-43; Josiah Martinez 3-42, 1 TD.

Kickoff Returns: Sam Baker 2 TD's  
Fumble Returns: Matt Cook, 1 TD

Scoring: Shawn Powderly 8 TD's, 8 PAT kicks, 57 points; Sam Baker 9 TD's, 54 points; Ryan Quinones 3 TD's, 18 points; Stephan Saint-Juste 2 TD's, 12 points; Matt Cook 2 TD's, 12 points; Josiah Martinez 1 TD, 6 points; Shane Stairs 1 TD, 6 points; Omar Eldaly 1 TD, 6 points; Chris Lucas two conversions, 4 points; Mark Companschi 1 conversion, 2 points; Cody Sughrue 1 conversion, 2 points; Brendan Studley 1 conversion, 2 points; Santino Garafalo 1 conversion, 2 points.

Compiled by Mike Ippolito and Dan Zimmerman

## Familiar Foe coming to town for Friday's playoff opener

By MIKE IPPOLITO  
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BILLERICA -- Most local football fans remember the 2011 divisional playoff game between the Jets and Patriots, when the Jets came into Foxboro and stunned the Pats with a 28-21 victory. Making the victory all the more shocking was the fact that the Pats had routed the Jets just a few weeks earlier by a score of 45-3 at Gillette Stadium.

Although Patriots coach Bill Belichick warned anybody who would listen in the days leading up to the play-off game that the Jets still posed a threat despite the previous game's result, nobody listened. The game looked like a slam dunk for the Patriots, but of course it wasn't.

Well, this week, Shawsheen Tech Football coach Al Costabile is playing the role of Bill Belichick as his third seeded Rams team prepares to take on sixth seeded Whittier in the first round of the MIAA Division 6 North Sectional Tournament on Friday night at Cassidy Field. This is the same Whittier team of course which the Rams routed by a score of 46-8 just three weeks ago at Cassidy Field.

"They will definitely want revenge," Costabile said. "The night we played them, we played what was up to that point our best game of the season, and they played what had to be their worst game. Anybody who thinks this game is going to be more of the same doesn't know what they are talking about. "Historically we have usually had a tough time scoring on them, and we have to be ready for that. I will be very disappointed in my players don't think this is going to be a dog fight."

It is more than just revenge, however, that has Costabile thinking that this game will be much closer than last time. It is also the

fact that Whittier has been on a roll since the blowout loss to the Rams. On the night of the Shawsheen loss, Whittier coach Kevin Bradley told the Town Crier's Dan Zimmerman "This builds character. We are going to see how we rebound next week. We have to look at films, correct our mistakes and take our frustrations out on somebody else."

Apparently, the Wildcats listened to their coach, because in their past two games, they have scored a combined total of 98 points, beating Essex Tech by a score of 41-15 the week after the Shawsheen game, and then Northeast by a score of 54-44 last week.

The Rams conversely struggled in their game last week against winless Essex Tech before coming away with a 13-0 victory, and earlier in the season they edged Northeast 36-30 in double overtime.

"They have been scoring a ton of points," Costabile said. "They scored 54 points against Northeast last week in regulation and we needed double overtime to score 36 points against them."

Of course, it is certainly not all doom and gloom for the Rams, who have after all, won five games in a row, including the aforementioned win over Essex last week, which clinched the CAC Large title for Shawsheen.

As well as they have been playing, however, Costabile knows they have to be even better on Friday.

"We have to start better than we did against Essex," Costabile said. "The first half against them left a lot of room for improvement. They are going to come out and start fast, so we better be prepared to start fast as well. When you let teams hang around by starting off slow, that's when bad things can happen."







## Shawsheen Tech Sports Round-Up

## Volleyball squad gained a lot of experience this season

By MIKE IPPOLITO  
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BILLERICA -- The Shawsheen Tech Volleyball team will wrap up their season next Monday when they travel to Haverhill to take on CAC rival Whittier Tech.

The Lady Rams will bring a 5-14 record into that contest, falling short of their preseason goal of qualifying for the state tournament under first year coach Anne DeMarco, but more importantly many of Shawsheen's players gained significant experience this season, which they should be able to put to good use next season.

This season's Lady Rams team featured a roster full of young players, including six sophomores and six juniors. Regardless of grade level, however, Shawsheen entered the season as a very inexperienced team, as even their five senior players had not seen much playing time at the varsity level, due to the team being a very senior laden squad last season when the players were juniors.

"I feel like the whole season was a great learning experience for all of our players," DeMarco said. "We had five seniors who basically had to learn how to play their positions and where to rotate to, because they had not seen a lot of playing time. So, we had a combination of young players, and senior players who were still learning the game."

The five seniors who led the way this season for the Lady Rams were outside hitters Miranda Quinlan, Ashlyn Troisi and Samantha Boucher, along with defensive specialist Kimberly Benton and middle hitter Leah Sheehan.

Quinlan and Sheehan were recognized for their fine work this season by being named to the CAC All-Star team, and honor that DeMarco felt was well deserved.

"Both of them are very

consistent players and their teammates really trust them," DeMarco said. "Leah has been with the program for three years and Miranda has been with us for four years. The worked really hard all year long."

While the Lady Rams will certainly miss the leadership that their seniors provided, DeMarco is looking forward to seeing the continued development of some of her younger players, particularly junior Brooke Johnson and Katie Morrissey.

While this season was a learning experience for both the players and DeMarco in her first season as head coach after serving as Chet Flynn's assistant for the past five seasons, DeMarco is hoping there is much less of learning curve next season, and her team can hit the ground running.

"I feel like with the experience the kids got this season we will be able to start next season working right away on skills and strategies rather than learning how to play positions," DeMarco said. "Hopefully we will be able to get off to a faster start next season"

## BOYS SOCCER

The Shawsheen Tech Boys Soccer team kept their play-off hopes alive with a 2-2 tie under the lights at Essex Tech on Tuesday night. Essex, celebrating "Senior Night" built a 2-0 first half lead, but the Rams came storming back, scoring two second half goals and just missing the game winner on numerous occasions.

Senior Kyle Simonds got the first goal of the game for Shawsheen, while fellow senior Billy Eagen of Tewksbury got the equalizer as the Rams outshot Essex 26-9, but were unable to pull ahead. Assists went to Ioannis Flaounas and Dan Czerwinski. Playing well for Shawsheen were Shawn Marshall, Sam Chebook, Nick Sachetta and Matt Pustizzi.

The tie game left the Rams with an overall record of 7-7-3 as they head into their regular season finale at CAC rival Mystic Valley on Monday. The Rams need a win over Mystic in order to qualify for the post season. A tie or a loss and they will be eliminated from post season contention.

Earlier in the season the Rams lost to Mystic by a score of 3-0, dropping their record on the season to 0-3 at the time. The Rams, however, are 7-4-3 since that loss, including being unbeaten in six of their last seven games.

In their previous game last Thursday, Shawsheen continued their late season torrid play with a 1-0 blanking of Lynn Tech in a wind whipped game under the lights in The Manning Bowl. The Rams defense was brilliant in the first half when they were tested time and again. Junior goalie Mike Reppucci and his teammates stifled every Lynn Tech opportunity.

The second half the Rams used the wind to mount a furious attack which was blunted by outstanding play from the Lynn Tech goalie. Finally, with 15 minutes to play, senior Sam Chebook lofted a perfect pass to junior striker Jared Rizzo of Tewksbury, who steamed in on a breakaway and played a perfect shot just out of reach of the goalie to hand Lynn Tech their first home loss of the season.

## GIRLS SOCCER

Heading into this past week with two big CAC games on tap against Mystic Valley last Thursday and Essex Tech on Monday, the Shawsheen Tech Girls Soccer team knew that wins in both games would give them an outside chance at a three way tie for the league title, while one win and a tie would at the very least secure a spot in the upcoming post season tournament.

Unfortunately for the Lady Rams, they were unable to

get the results they needed, instead going 0-1-1 in their two games, battling to a 2-2 with Mystic Valley before dropping a 3-1 decision to Essex.

The loss and the tie left the Lady Rams with a 7-7-2 overall record and needing a win as they head into their final game of the season against non-league public school rival Burlington. It will be a tall task indeed for the Lady Rams to pull off the upset and earn a spot in the tournament.

Shawsheen had their chances against Essex on Monday, controlling the early minutes of the action, but it was Mystic who got on the board first.

"We had the wind in our face in the first half, but we were controlling play pretty well and then all of a sudden they score a goal, so that was a bit of a shock," Shawsheen coach Doug Michaud said. "But we kept our heads up and played well and we made it 1-1 with 15 minutes left in the half."

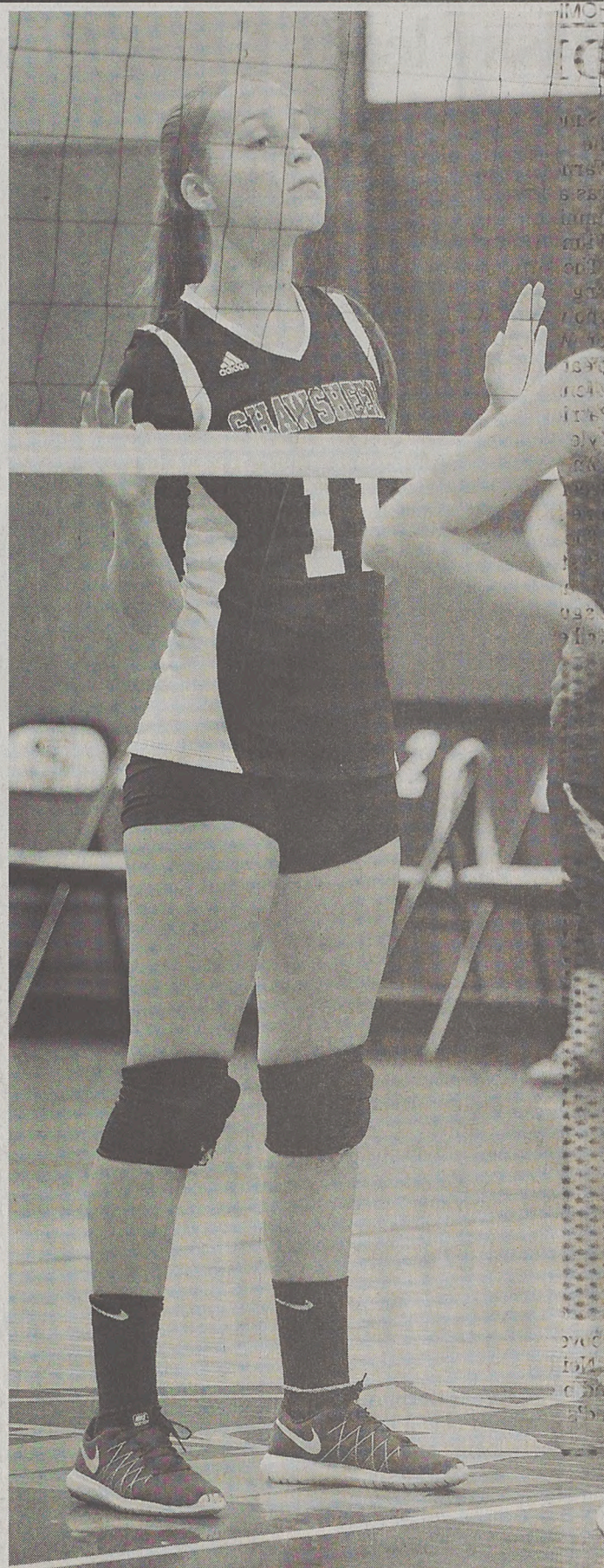
Senior Kendra Swift of Wilmington got that game tying goal for the Lady Rams, but Essex bounced back with a goal of their own to make it 2-1 with about eight minutes left, and they added one more later in the half to take a 3-1 lead into the half.

"When we scored to tie it up, I felt really great because I figured if we could go into the half tied after having the wind in our face for the first half, we could be in good shape in the second half," Michaud said. "And even when they took the lead, I still felt pretty good with being down by just one goal. And then they got the next one, and that changed things a little bit."

The Lady Rams once again controlled play to start the second half, but they were unable to pull any closer.

"Even down two goals, we still had the whole second half and we were moving the ball around really well, but we just couldn't finish," Michaud said. "It seemed like nobody wanted to shoot."

In their previous game, last Thursday against Mystic, the Lady Rams played very well in earning the 2-2 tie. The two teams traded leads during the game before ending in the 2-2 deadlock. At the half Shawsheen was leading the game with goals from junior Rebecca Smith of Tewksbury off a steal and the other goal came from a great combination play



Shawsheen Tech Volleyball player Christa Davis of Tewksbury gets ready for the ball during a home Volleyball game played this past week.

(photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

involving several players and ended with freshman Maya DiMino scoring the goal.

Senior goalie Emily Langone had played very well in net, assisted by her defense of Monique Kazelyan, Jackie Woodward, Catherine McKenna, Rachel MacDonald, and Eryn Ward.

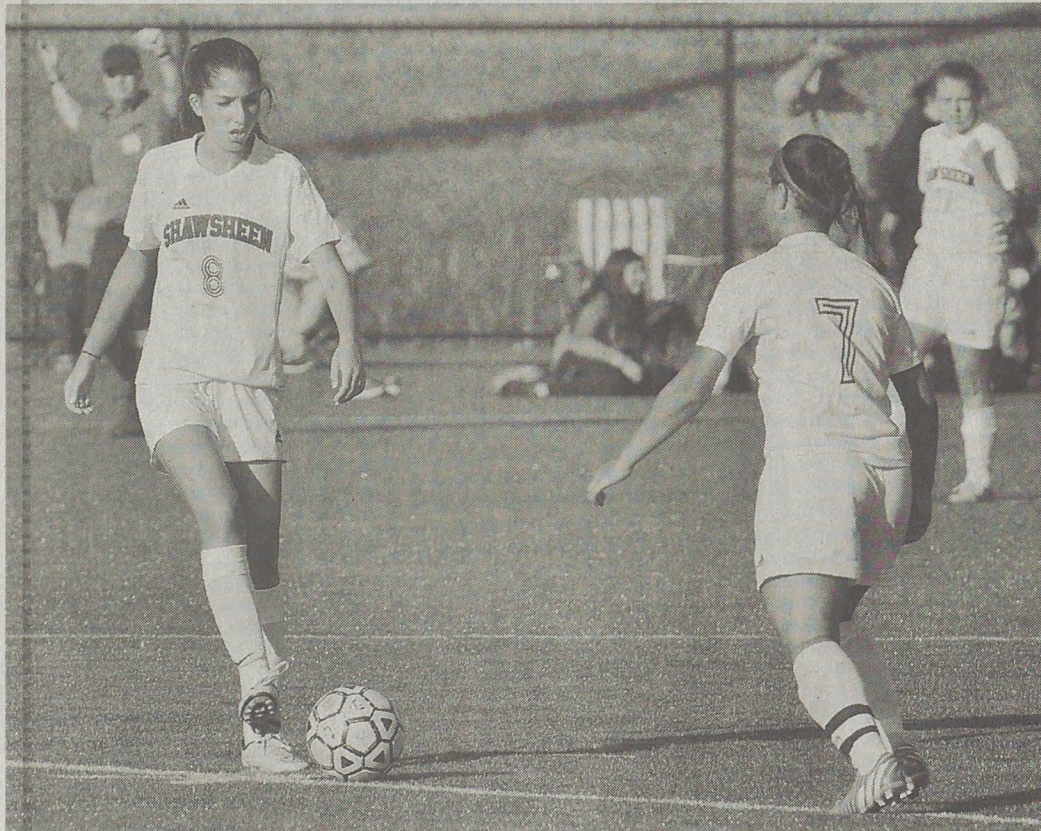
## GOLF

The Shawsheen Tech Golf team continued their outstanding season last Friday afternoon by winning Commonwealth Athletic Conference Tournament

with a four-man total score of 331 at Hillview Golf Course in North Reading.

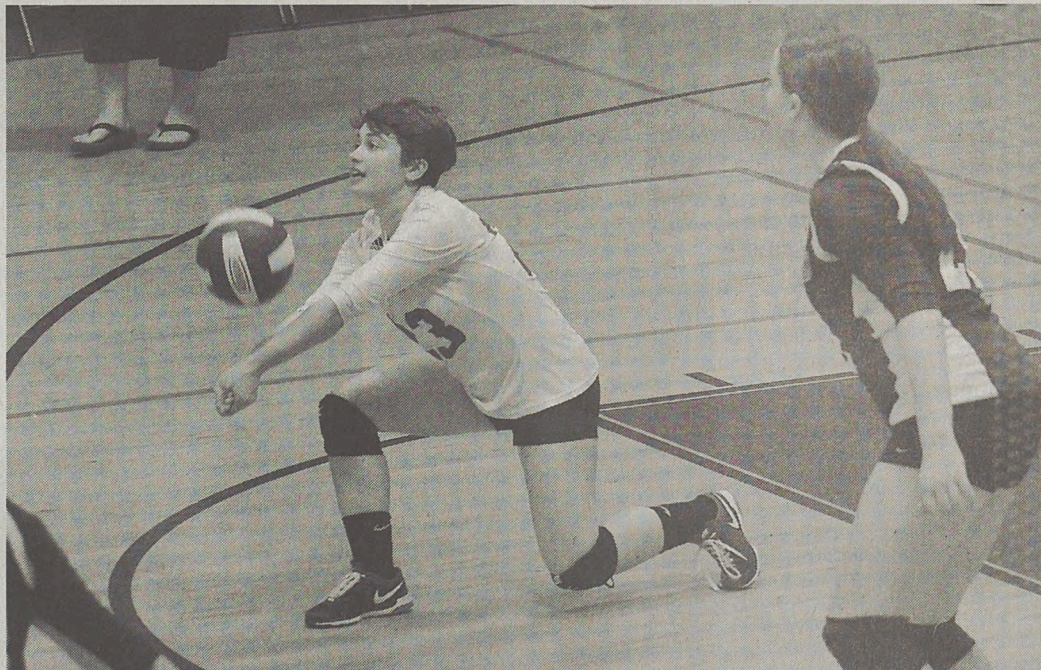
Seniors Kyle Preble of Tewksbury and Zach Carpenter shot 79's to lead the way for the Rams, while senior captain Chris Galinos shot an 85 and fellow senior Aidan Rexford finished with an 88.

It was just the latest in what has been another great season of Shawsheen Golf, as the Rams finished tied for first in the league with a 7-1 record to win their 13th consecutive league title. The Rams finished with a 7-6-1 overall record.



Above, Maya DiMino (left) passes to Angie Bankowski to start the second half of a recent Girls Soccer game and below Kyle Simonds defends against an Austin Prep player during an earlier season boys game.

(photos by JoeBrownphotos.com).



Tewksbury's Marissa Brangiforte returns a volley at a recent Shawsheen Tech Varsity Volleyball match.

(photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

## Annual TGBL Tournament announced

Tewksbury Youth Girls Basketball League's 4th annual Hoops for Heroes Veteran's Day 3-vs-3 Basketball Tournament will be held on Friday, November 10th at TMHS.

The Army Division will consist of girls in grades 4 and 5; The Navy Division will consist of girls in grades 6 and 7; and the Marines Division will consist of girls in grades 8 and 9.

Up to five players per team with a three player mini-

mum. Entry Fee \$20 per person and three game minimum, 16 point games (single point per basket) One Team per player. Awards for Division Winners, prizes for best team name and Best T-Shirt.

Please visit [www.tgbl.org](http://www.tgbl.org) to complete registration and parental consent forms and find complete list of rules or mail completed registration and parental consent forms with check payable to:

TGBL, P.O. Box 232, Tewksbury, MA 01876 BY October 23, 2017.

A portion of the proceeds to be donated to Helping Our Troops (H.O.T). TGBL will be collecting items to be distributed to our soldiers on active duty around the globe.

View complete list of suggested donations at: <http://www.helpdinhgourtroopsma.org>.



## D1 Football team tackles another win

Sunday's game featuring the Wilmington D1 Pop Warner against Reading D1 was a great display of power running all day by the Wilmington Wildcats.

The opening drive featured long runs by Cam Kelley who was unstoppable all day for Wilmington. Behind the great blocking from a strong offensive line featuring Patrick Lee, Will Trach, Kyle Gabaree, Dan Cadigan Tom Pereira and Matthew Breen, Kelley found the end zone from 12 yards out.

The Wildcat offense just got stronger as the day went on as Quarterback Shane Maguire threw a 55-yard strike to tight end Ben

Gibbons who raced to the end zone making it 14-0.

Reading made a push scoring on their next drive making it 14-6. However, this time Maguire used his legs from 6 yards out to increase the lead to 21-6.

With Reading fighting hard they tightened the game to 21-14 after a long pass play from 40 yards out. Wilmington would not relent as Andre Bouras' and Zack Timmons got in the mix with more power running for a 65-yard drive capped by Maguire's second TD run from 12 yards out with a couple great cuts making it 28-14.

After one more score at the

end of first half by Reading to tighten the score 28-20 it was all Wilmington From that point on.

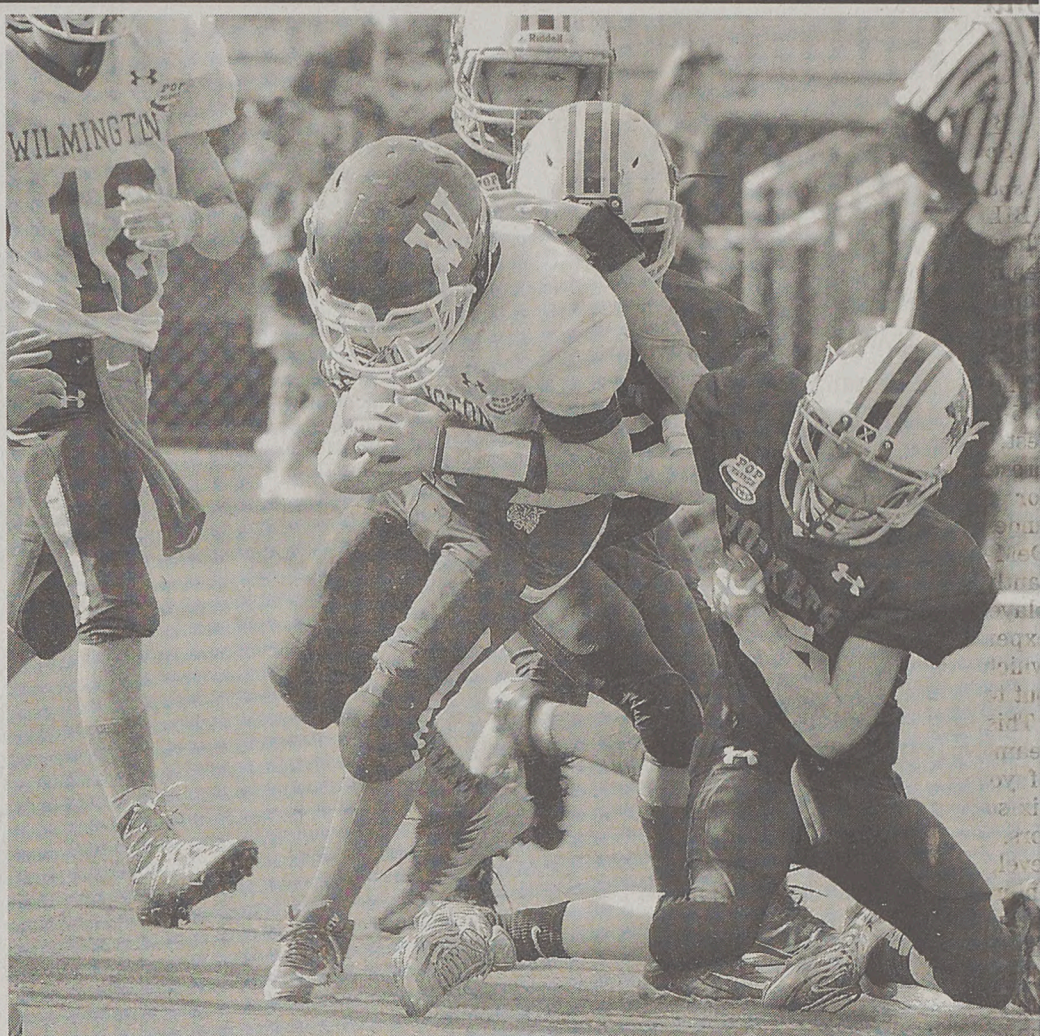
The Wilmington defense became stifling with Kelley making huge hits and Gabaree, Lee and Timmons stuffing the runs up front. Also huge sacks by defensive Ends Maguire and Breen kept Reading at bay.

Another big drive from Wilmington featuring Kelley and Boras, saw a long 50-yard run by Kelley down to the six-yard line where Maguire finished the drive plowing into the end zone for his third rushing TD of the

D1 PG SP15W



Above: From left, Pat DeLucia, Joey Cavanaugh, Deb Smith, Jack Martins and Shane O'Neill sporting their pink for Breast Cancer; top right Cam Kelley runs in for a touchdown and bottom right Shane Maguire moves in for a QB sack for the D1 team during this weekend's game. (courtesy photos).



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## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
PLANNING BOARD

## PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT  
FAMILY SUITE

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on November 6, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by James and Charlene Sullivan for a Family Suite Special Permit under Section 3400 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a family suite addition not to exceed 1,000 square feet on to existing home as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 215 Poland Avenue, Assessor's Map 25, Lot 44, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x248), Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 p.m. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Robert Fowler, Chair  
171269 10/18,25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC HEARING

## NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing November 1st, 2017, at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by the Town of Tewksbury Department of Public Works for a Notice of Intent for the construction of wastewater pump station emergency generators. Proposed work is within 100 feet of bordering vegetated wetlands, riverfront area and bordering land subject to flooding. Pump station locations include Wamegat Pump Station (633 Main Street), Joanne Drive Pump Station (51A Joanne Drive), Sawyers Lane Pump Station (40A Sawyers Lane), Eastgate Road Pump Station (100A Eastgate Road), Riverdale Ave Pump Station (37A Riverdale Ave), Louis Road Pump Station (14A Louis Road), and Frasier Lane Pump Station (61A Frasier Lane). Legal Notice is also available on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Stefania Gallo  
Conservation Agent/  
Town Planner  
171355 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Joseph J. Higgins and Denise R. Higgins f/k/a Denise R. Foster to Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc., dated January 14, 2002 and recorded with the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 12653, Page 63, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 a.m. on November 20, 2017, on the mortgaged premises located at 15 Amherst Road, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

## TO WIT:

That certain parcel of land situated on Amherst Road, Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and being

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CABLE TELEVISION LICENSE RENEWAL

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts, being the Town's Cable License Franchising Authority, hereby gives notice that on November 13, 2017, 7:05 p.m. the Selectmen will hold a public hearing at Town Hall, Selectmen Room, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, on the cable television license renewal proposal of Comcast Cable Communications Management LLC. The purpose of the proceeding is to accept public comment, formally consider and possibly take final action on approval of the proposed license, a copy of which is available for public inspection and copying c/o of the Town Clerk. Public comment is invited. For further information and copies of the proposed license and Comcast's License Application (Form 100), contact Denise Y. Casey, Assistant Town Manager, c/o Town Hall. By order of the Board of Selectmen as Cable Television License Franchising Authority.

171328 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD

## PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Sections 81-F and 81-G, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on November 7, 2017 at 8:15 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA on the 81G Application #17-01 of David McCue, 12 Buckingham Street, Wilmington, MA, seeking to provide roadway improvements for construction of a single family home for property located at 8 West Jamaica Avenue, Map 70 Parcel 21 as shown on the plan entitled: "Roadway Improvement Plan, West Jamaica Avenue, Wilmington, Massachusetts" dated: October 10, 2017 prepared by Professional Engineer: Luke J. Roy, LJR Engineering Inc., 234 Park Street, North Reading, MA 01864.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning and Conservation Department, and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
171311 10/18,25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on November 7, 2017 at 8:30 p.m. in Room 9 of the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #17-16 and Stormwater Management Permit #17-14, plan entitled, "Site Plan, 80 Main Street", dated October 11, 2017, prepared by Professional Engineer: Luke J. Roy, LJR Engineering Inc., 234 Park Street, North Reading, MA 01864 and shown on Assessor's Map 45 Parcel 137. The proposed project includes razing the existing dwelling and constructing a two-story office building with a detached residential dwelling above a two-car garage.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department and may be inspected during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
171310 10/18,25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC MEETING

Notice Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 7:15 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by John Murray, 81 Aldrich Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for the construction of a 10'x12' 3-Season porch and related site work. This work is within the 100' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 81 Aldrich Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 20, Parcel 37. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
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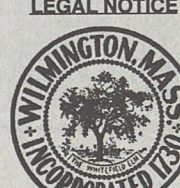
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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
171346 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 7:25 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Daniel Fonzi, 15 Kelley Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for the removal of four (4) trees. This work is within the 100' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 15 Kelley Road, Wilmington, MA, 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 51, Parcel 103. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
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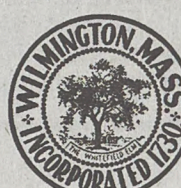
TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 7:20 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Anthony Fiore, 1 Third Avenue, Wilmington, MA, 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for clearing brush, leaves, and dead trees. This work is within the 100' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 1 Third Avenue, Wilmington, MA, 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 11, Parcel 35. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
171349 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
BOARD OF APPEALS

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

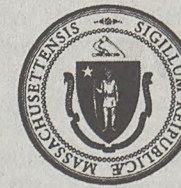
A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 29-17  
Doug Eifman  
c/o Phil Taylor Esq.  
Map 26 Parcel 7D

To appeal the decision of the Inspector of Buildings. The existing garage has an addition and no building permit was applied for or issued for the carport. A Special Permit was approved on September 26, 2007 to allow an existing carport to remain as it stands as shown on the plan, for the life of the structure. Our records indicate that the Special Permit was not recorded at the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds, therefore, it has lapsed, and a building permit was never applied for or approved for the carport. The applicant has since, constructed an additional bay to the garage and must now apply for a variance to encroach .3 feet from the side lot line when 15 feet is required for property located on 827 Main Street.

171309 10/18,25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT

17 SM 005654

## ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Daniel F. Babine, Jr., and Karen M. Babine f/k/a Karen L. Mendelson

and to all persons entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (et seq.)

MountainOne Bank, f/k/a South Coastal Bank claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Wilmington, numbered 6 State Street, given by Daniel F. Babine, Jr., and Karen M. Babine f/k/a Karen L. Mendelson to South Coastal Bank, dated January 31,

## LEGAL NOTICE

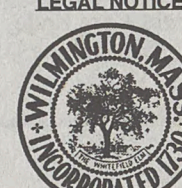
TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, at 7:10 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Donald G. Ayer, 156 Lake Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887, owner and applicant. This filing is for the removal of four (4) trees. This work is within the 100' Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is located at 156 Lake Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887 and shown on Assessor's Map 35, Parcel 1A. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
171347 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
171345 10/25/17

## Shawsheen Tech vs Whittier Tech

|                |                   |                |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Shawsheen Tech | at Wilmington     | Lost 27-14     |
|                | vs Arlington Cath | Lost 25-13     |
|                | vs Nashoba Tech   | Won 40-14      |
|                | at Northeast      | Won 36-30 (OT) |
|                | vs Whittier Tech  | Won 46-8       |
|                | at Gr. Lawrence   | Won 20-17      |
|                | at Essex Tech     | Won 13-0       |

## Whittier Tech

|               |                 |            |
|---------------|-----------------|------------|
| Whittier Tech | vs Southeastern | Won 22-6   |
|               | vs Randolph     | Won 32-16  |
|               | at Chelsea      | Won 28-18  |
|               | vs Weston       | Lost 38-36 |
|               | at Shawsheen    | Lost 46-8  |
|               | vs Essex Tech   | Won 41-15  |
|               | vs Northeast    | Won 54-44  |

## Wilmington Little League announcements

Registration for the 2018 Wilmington Little League season is open on our web site and will close on January 31st. Returning players, as well as managers, coaches and team parents are encouraged to register for the 2018 season so as not to miss out on what will be an exciting season of baseball and softball! We also need volunteers to assist with non-team related activities throughout the spring season.

Baseball players born between 5/01/01 and 8/31/11, and softball players who will be 1st to 9th grade for the current school year are eligible to register. The early registration fee is \$90 for the first player in the family, \$45 for each additional sibling, payable via credit card on our web site for your convenience. On January 1st, the regular fee of \$110 for the first player in the family, and \$55 for each additional sibling will be charged.

First time player registrations will require a copy of the player's birth certificate. Please scan and email to [wilmingtonll@outlook.com](mailto:wilmingtonll@outlook.com) or mail copy to Wilmington Little League, P.O. Box 528, Wilmington, MA 01887.

Wilmington Little League encourages early enrollment to avoid being placed on a waiting list. Visit our website for additional details or Contact Rick Hill at [wilmingtonll@outlook.com](mailto:wilmingtonll@outlook.com) for more information.

[www.wilmingtonlitleleague.org](http://www.wilmingtonlitleleague.org)

## Public Notices

Every day throughout the United States newspapers publish thousands of public notices about events, conditions or actions that affect countless individuals, families, neighborhoods and businesses. Public notices cover many topics including guardianships, conservatorships and protective orders, probating wills, business matters, liquor licensing, public auctions and sales, estates, zoning, public meetings, bids to sell goods and services to the government, auctions to dispose of surplus government equipment, local government finances and state and local elections. The public notice is a fundamental component of our system of representative democracy, which depends upon the participation of educated, responsible citizens.

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC HEARING

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Julie Flynn, Chair  
Conservation Commission  
171344 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## PUBLIC HEARING

## NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing November 1st, 2017, at 7:00 P.M. in the Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Bernard and Susan Mecherkany for a Notice of Intent for the control of invasive vegetation while entering and exiting the property. Said Property is located at 1099 Main Street, Map 61 Lot 11. Legal Notice is also available on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Stefania Gallo  
Conservation Agent/  
Planner  
171351 10/25/17

## LEGAL NOTICES ARCHIVE

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To search the archive of previously published legal notices go to:

[www.homenewshere.com](http://www.homenewshere.com)  
OR  
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shown as Lot 3 on a plan entitled "Definitive Subdivision Plan, Amherst Road, Wilmington, Mass" dated May 10, 1988, revised October 4, 1988, Robert E. Anderson Inc. Reg. P.E.L.L.S., said Plan being recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 169, Plan 132. Said Lot 3 contains 20,723 square feet of land according to said Plan.

Said premises are conveyed subject to easements described in a grant from Ralph Surianello and Theresa Surianello to the Town of Wilmington dated May 22, 1989, recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 4941, Page 63.

Together with the right to use the roadway as shown on said Plan, for all purposes for which streets and ways are commonly used in the Town of Wilmington, in common with all others lawfully entitled thereto.

Being the same premises conveyed to the Mortgagees by deed of Ralph Surianello, Trustee, dated No-

vember 19, 1990 and recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds at Book 5386, Page 322.

For mortgagor's(s) title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5386, Page 322.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

## TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the

purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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171318 10/25, 11/1,8/17



## Red Bulls and Crew hook up in a classic match-up

Boys Grade 2:  
NY Red Bulls  
vs. Columbus Crew

In a game that could have been mistaken for a World Cup match, the NY Red Bulls started off strong with great offensive pressure from rising stars David and Jonathan Poulse and lightning fast Jacob McGahey and Caden Merritt.

Coupled with the steel-like defense of Mason Carr, Dante DiGiovanni, and Tommy Demers, their efforts made for an incredible game. Charlie Chirichiello and Logan Augustyniak scored for the Red Bulls, while goalkeepers DiGiovanni, Chirichiello, and Demers made crucial saves throughout the game.

Girls Grade 1:  
Chicago Red Stars  
vs. Orlando Pride

In what could have been confused as a World Cup Match, the Chicago Red Stars started off strong with great offensive pressure from Riley Lopes, Taylor Stone and Isabella Deloiveria.

Coupled with the steel-like defense of Reagan Glover and Olivia Howie, their efforts made for an incredible game. Ashley Andreson scored first for the Chicago Red Stars, while the Hope Solo like effort of Emily Falk, Ella Connolly and Leah Tucci provided solid goal-keeping to keep their team alive.

Boys Kinder:  
Chicago Fire  
vs. Columbus Crew

The Chicago Fire led by Bruce Hunter, Connor Mangini, Cullom Jones and Liam Mills-Baptiste got the crowd jumping out of their seats. Max Brugel led the scoring charge, while the great defensive effort of Calvin Lozzi, Joseph Michaud, Dom Santos, and Brody Aprile kept the action going.

Boys Grade 1:  
NY Red Bulls  
vs. D.C. United

The crowd was kept on the edge of their seats this week as the New York Red Bulls battled D.C. United. The Red Bulls, led by the offensive skills of Gabriel Cummings, generated scoring opportunities by David Jamieson and goals by Davio Dicoenso and Tyler Hally.

The defense was not to be left out of this one either as Logan Lopes and Merit Bigambo kept the ball out of their zone for much of the game.

Girls Grade 2:  
Orlando Pride  
vs. N.C. Courage

The crowds gathered at the Shawshen fields for this back and forth game. The Orlando pride led by Alice Crowley, Evelyn LaClair, Emily Laquidara, and Lilly Mehr got the crowd jumping out of their seats. Leah Doucette, Caroline Broussard and Kaylin Mulik led the scoring charge, while the great defensive effort of Julie McMullen, Abby O'Donoghue and Emily Quamme kept the action going.

Pre-K Girls:

The crowd was kept on the edge of their seats this week as Harvard was led by the offensive skills of Emma Higgins resulted in scoring opportunities by Hailey Brabant, Gisella DiGiovanni and Alexa DiGiovanni. The defense was not to be left out of this one either as Carmelia D'Alleva, Grace Connolly and Allie Smaroff kept the ball out of their zone for much of the game.

## Pop Warner D1 team collects another win

FROM PAGE SP13W

game. Now at 35-20 the fun was just beginning as the defense saw big plays from Dalton Dillon, Joey Fennelly, Hard hitting Trent Wedge, Lucas Pourier, Conner Lovell, Luke Abbot and then highlighted by a big interception from Kelley.

With the offense rolling a fresh stable of backs came in as Fennelly and Timmons were running strong and then capping off the scoring with his first runs of the season Connor Lovell found the end zone to put the game out of reach at 48-20.

The huge win against rival Reading clinched a playoff birth for the D1 Wildcats and improved their record to 5-2.

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Contact Jamie Pote at  
Jamie@yourtowncrier.com  
with at least two writing samples.

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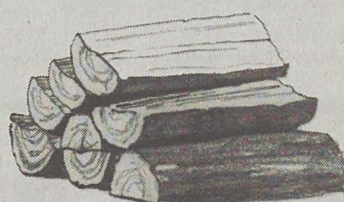
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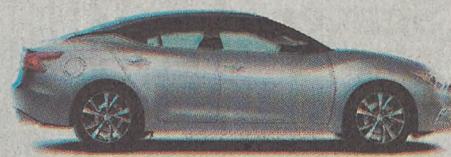
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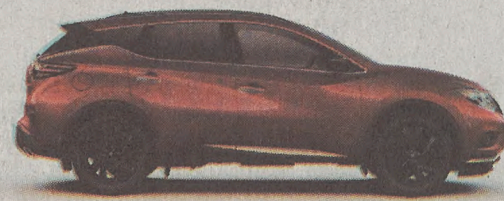
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### 2014 NISSAN ROGUE

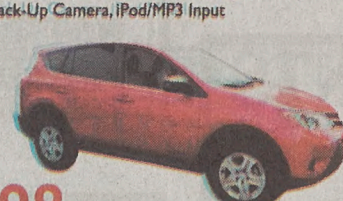
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